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forty years effort to establish Lack-
awanna County.*

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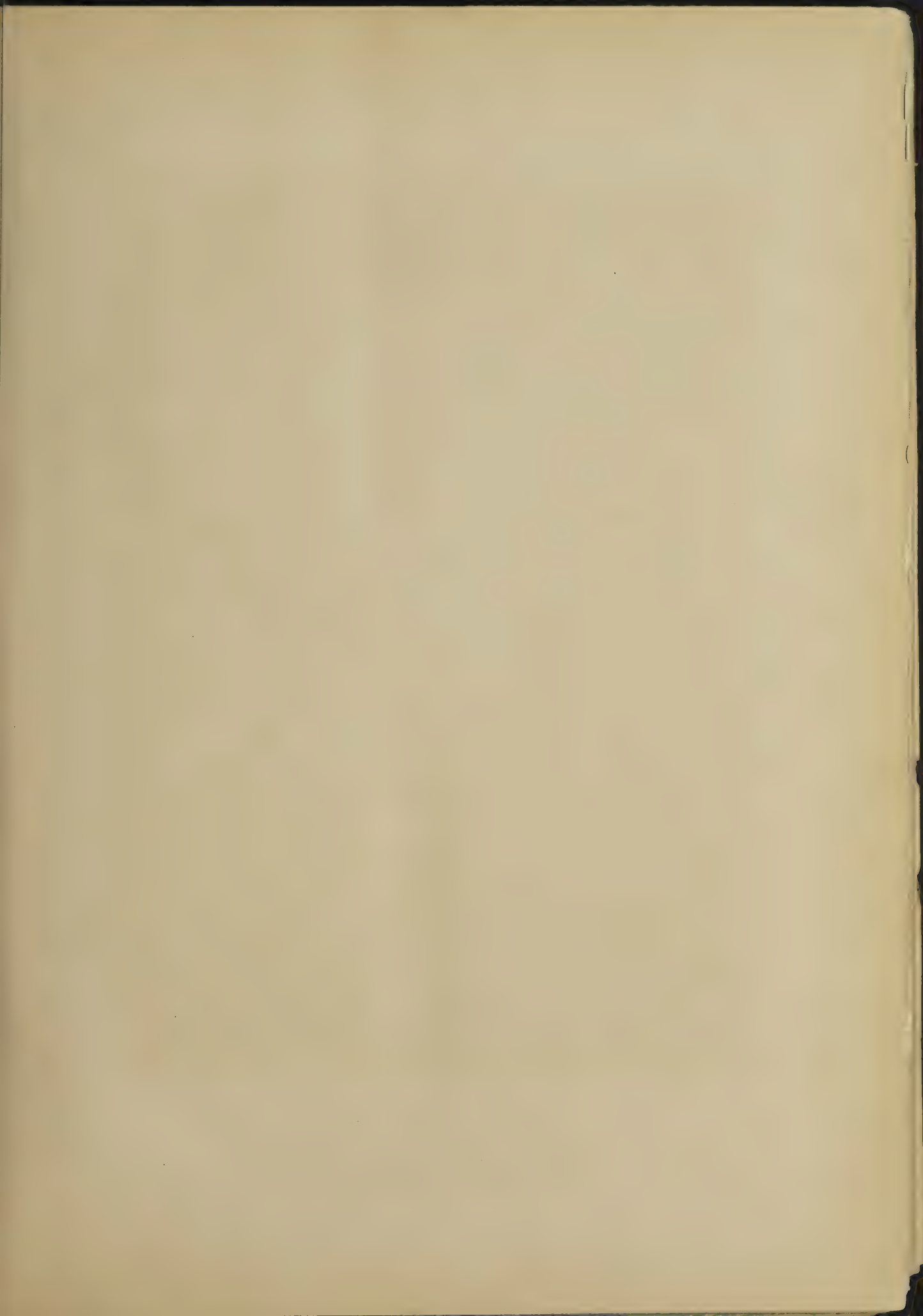
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BIOGRAPHICAL

Hon. Frederick W. Gunster, deceased, was widely known throughout Pennsylvania as the first district attorney of Lackawanna County and judge of the Courts of Lackawanna County. He was born in Lockweiler, Prussia, on the 15th day of September, 1845. His father, Peter Gunster, emigrated to America in 1853, and settled in Scranton, erecting on Penn Avenue in this city the building still standing and for many years known as the old Gunster homestead.

Frederick William Gunster entered the sophomore class of Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., in 1864, and graduated in the class of 1867 with highest honors, being assigned the philosophical oration in the graduation exercises. In his college career he entered into close companionship with such men as Sanford B. Dole, president of the Hawaiian Islands; Hamilton W. Mabie, the editor of Outlook; Gilbert M. Tucker, of Albany, N. Y.; Francis Lynde Stetson, and many other well known men of the present day. In 1869 he received his degree as Master of Arts from the faculty of Williams College. Mr. Gunster was for one year principal of Grammar School No. 3, in Scranton. He held for one term the office of clerk of the Common Council of the city. He read law with the late venerable Judge Walsingham G. Ward, at Scranton, and was admitted to the bar of Luzerne County on Nov. 10, 1868. In 1872 he was a National Democratic elector. He was elected a member of the House of Representatives of the State of Pennsylvania, and served during the years of 1875 and 1876. He was chairman of the committee on constitutional reform and an active member of the committees on counties and townships, and the judiciary, and in 1876, in addition to the foregoing, a member of the committee on ways and means. During his service in the house he labored zealously in the creation of the new county of Lackawanna, and was a leader in the movement of 1877, which culminated successfully. In 1878 and 1879, by appointment of Governor Hartranft, he served as the first district attorney of Lackawanna County. He served as attorney for the City of Scranton, and for 15 years was attorney of the School Board. On Aug. 14, 1888, he received the unanimous nomination of the Democratic party for additional law judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 45th Judicial District. The Republican party, in its convention following, ratified the nomination by placing no candidate in opposition to him. On Nov. 15, 1888, he was appointed

by Governor Beaver to fill the unexpired term of Judge Alfred Hand. Serving a term of ten years, Judge Gunster, in August of 1898, again received the unanimous nomination for the same office by the Democratic party, and a few weeks later again received the unanimous nomination for the same office by the Republican party. On Nov. 6, 1898, Judge Gunster was re-elected to the bench. The term for which he was elected expired Dec. 31, 1909.

In 1889 Mr. Gunster was a delegate and one of the vice presidents of the Catholic Congress held in Baltimore. Since its organization he served as a director of the Pennsylvania Oral School for the Deaf, and in November, 1899, was re-appointed by Governor Stone. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Albright Memorial Library, located in Scranton. He was a life member and a director and secretary of the Board of Directors of the Lackawanna Hospital. He was a director of the Third National Bank, Scranton, from the time of its organization in 1873 until his election to the judiciary in 1888, when he resigned.

Among the many public speeches delivered by Judge Gunster may be mentioned an oration at the memorial service upon the occasion of the funeral of President James A. Garfield, held by the citizens of Scranton, Sept. 26, 1881. His address at the Parnell demonstration held in the Armory on April 11, 1889, was appreciated by Mr. Parnell, who considered it the finest he heard while in the United States. His argument and address made before the State Legislature of Pennsylvania in 1875 on the divorce question, urging the abolition of divorce, was at the time reprinted and commented upon in every state in the Union, was quoted in the British Parliament, and everywhere received the highest praise.

The versatility of Judge Gunster renders a just estimate of his mind and character no easy task. He was well versed in literature, vigorous and original in thought, ready of utterance, learned in the law, quick and clear in apprehension, eloquent in expression, sound in judgment, peculiarly appreciative of the principles which underlie the political features of our American liberty, at the same time that he understood the merits of the land which gave him birth. As a lawyer he was gifted in the arts of the advocate and with scholarly acquisitions, earnest and true in defense of legal principles and individual rights, zealous of right and justice, courteous in professional treatment, true to court and client and zealous of professional honor. As a judge, he was upright, impartial, strong, laborious, with a thorough and comprehensive grasp of facts and legal principles. His opinions showed ripe judgment and careful successful review of the evidence. He won the esteem and spontaneous respect and love of his professional brethren, and courtesy sweetened his judicial, professional and social life. In his hands one could feel that the rights of the individual, society, business, religion and the home were absolutely safe. Judge Gunster died Jan. 30, 1900.

Judge Gunster was married on Oct. 16, 1873, to Miss Margaret Brehl, who was born at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Oct. 26, 1852. She was the daughter

of Christopher and Louise (Baer) Brehl. The former was a pioneer among the merchants of Wyoming Valley and for years was a potential force in business and financial circles in Luzerne's county seat. Margaret (Brehl) Gunster died Jan. 22, 1927, and is buried in St. Catherine's Catholic Cemetery, in Moscow, Pa. She had been an outstanding figure in charity work in the city and was one of the founders of St. Joseph's Foundling Home, of which she served as treasurer from the time of its inception in 1888. She was also a founder of St. Joseph's Shelter, another great local charity of more recent origin. To Frederick William and Margaret (Brehl) Gunster nine children were born, as follows: John M., an attorney, lives in Scranton; Louise, the widow of Frank C. Peck, lives in Philadelphia; Marguerite, lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, married John W. McGuire, lives at Bronxville, N. Y.; Marie, married Frank W. O'Neill, lives in Scranton; Joseph F., a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history; and three children who died in infancy.

Judge Gunster and his family held membership in St. Peter's Cathedral.

Joseph F. Gunster.—Prominent among the successful young attorneys of Scranton is Joseph F. Gunster, a veteran of the World War. He was born at Lake Ariel, Wayne County, Pa., Aug. 27, 1894, the son of Judge and Mrs. Frederick W. Gunster.

Joseph F. Gunster received his early education at Merrill's School, Scranton. He later attended St. Thomas College, Scranton, and Notre Dame University. He was graduated from the Catholic University of America in 1914 and three years later received his degree in law from Harvard Law School. Within a week after the United States entered the World War, Mr. Gunster enlisted in the United States Army and was sent to the First Officers Training Camp, at Madison Barracks, N. Y. At the conclusion of the Camp, he was commissioned a second lieutenant. He served with Company M, 111th Infantry, 28th Division, and later, with the 331st Infantry, 83rd Division. In January, 1918, he was transferred to the Intelligence School at Geneva, Ill., where after completing the course he was appointed adjutant and instructor. In April, 1918, he was one of eight graduates of this school selected to be sent to Chaumont, France, where General Pershing's headquarters were located and where he was assigned to the Enemy Intelligence Section of the General Staff. He remained there until June, 1919, being assigned after the Armistice to the Political Intelligence Section. In June, 1919, Mr. Gunster was sent to the United States, where he was discharged the following month as a first lieutenant.

Mr. Gunster was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in April, 1918, and to the Lackawanna County bar in 1919. He has since been admitted to practice in the Superior and Federal

courts. In 1919 he established offices in the Connell Building, and three years later removed to his present location in the Scranton Life Building. For a time he was a member of the firm of Jessup, Gunster & Rose, and then of Jessup, Gunster, Rose & Mackie. In May, 1926, Vandling D. Rose resigned as a member of the latter firm, the business of which has since been carried on under the name of Jessup, Gunster & Mackie.

Mr. Gunster is a Republican. In 1920 and 1921, he served as assistant city solicitor, taking a very active part in the important valuation and rate litigation pending at that time between the City of Scranton and the Scranton Railway Company, the Hyde Park Gas Company, and the Northern Electric Railroad. Mr. Gunster has always taken an active interest in the question of surface support and was prominent in the movement which resulted in the passage of the Kohler-Fowler Laws. He is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, president of St. Thomas College Alumni Association, and Past Grand Knight of Scranton Council, Knights of Columbus. He was a delegate representing the Universities of the United States at the Fourth International Congress of American Students, which was to be held in Santiago, Chile, in 1914, but which was postponed indefinitely on account of the World War. He was editor-in-chief of the University Symposium, at Washington, D. C., and a member of the college debating team. At Harvard he was a member of the Harvard Legal Aid Society, Olde Bailey Club, Pound Law Club and George Gray Law Club. He is a member of the Scranton Club, Scranton Bicycle Club, Scranton Tennis Club, Equity Club, Aerial Club, American Legion, La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux. He is identified with the Lackawanna Bar Association, of which he is a director, and with the Pennsylvania State and American Bar Associations. He is a director of the Third National Bank of Scranton, the Maccar Truck Company, the Maccar Corporation, the Meredith Run Coal Company, the Montdale Coal Company, the Scranton, Dunmore & Moosic Lake Railroad Company and the Moosic Lake Park Company.

George L. Timlin is among the prominent business men of Old Forge where he is president of the Miners and Merchants State Bank. He was born at Minooka, Pa., April 17, 1861, a son of John and Frances (Flaherty) Timlin.

Both John Timlin and his wife were natives of County Mayo, Ireland. After their marriage they came to the United States in 1852 and settled in New York City. They later removed to Dunmore and then to Minooka, where Mr. Timlin successfully engaged in the meat business. In 1872 he went to Taylor, Pa., and established a meat business there, which was later conducted by his sons. Mr. Timlin died in 1894 and his wife is also deceased. They are buried at Minooka. Mr. Timlin was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. There were nine children in the Timlin family, as follows: Edward H., deceased, buried at

Scranton; Patrick D., died in 1890, buried at Minooka; Robert M., deceased, buried at Avoca; Mary E., the widow of John Lally, who died in 1890, and she lives at Taylor, Pa.; Charlotte A., died in 1927, buried at Minooka; Dr. John J., born March 13, 1859, a physician and surgeon, graduate of Albany Medical College, lives at Old Forge; George L., the subject of this sketch; William P., died in 1890, buried at Minooka; and James F., lives at Taylor, Pa.

George L. Timlin spent his boyhood at Minooka and was educated there. For several years he was associated in business with his brothers. In 1901 he engaged in the furniture business at Old Forge, and was also associated in the undertaking business here with his brother, Patrick D. Timlin. After the latter's death Mr. Timlin took over the business. He was one of the organizers of the Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank, of which he served as secretary of the Board of Directors for 15 years. He was also one of the founders of the Miners and Merchants State Bank at Old Forge, in August, 1924, at that time being elected president.

The new bank building was completed July 27, 1925. Present officers are: G. L. Timlin, president; L. M. Potter, vice-president; Dr. W. J. G. Salmon, vice-president; and Frank Lally, cashier. The directors are: Caesar Graziano, Luigi Caroccia, J. P. Mayurnick, William M. Gambal, Dr. E. T. Davies, Dr. E. A. Leopardi, William Swartz, Edward D. Pohutsky, Louis A. Pagnotti, John J. Joyce, James G. Hailstone, and Martin Brown.

Mr. Timlin is a Democrat and served as postmaster of Taylor for a period of four years. He is a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society. Mr. Timlin is not married.

Daniel Holland, who is one of the leading citizens of Old Forge, where he is president of the Old Forge Amusement Company and manager of the Holland Theatre, was born at this place, Aug. 14, 1872, a son of Michael and Ellen (Donovan) Holland.

Michael Holland and his wife were born in County Cork, Ireland. They were married in Wales, where Mr. Holland spent many years as a miner. In 1870 they came to the United States and settled at Old Forge, Pa. Seven years later Mr. Holland was killed in the mines. He is buried at Minooka. His wife died in 1899. They were members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Two sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Holland: Hon. John, mention of whom is made below; and Daniel, the subject of this sketch.

John Holland was born in Myrthyr, Wales, Feb. 28, 1870, and died Jan. 4, 1924. He came to this country with his parents and spent his boyhood in the coal mines of Old Forge. In 1892 he entered the hotel business. Throughout his life Mr. Holland was interested in politics and was elected as the first Democrat in 20 years to represent the Sixth Legis-

lative District. For many years he also served as collector of all taxes at Old Forge. He was one of the founders of the Old Forge Discount & Deposit Bank, of which he was a director. He owned and developed many valuable parcels of real estate in this city and built the Holland Building and business section, known as Holland Corners. Mr. Holland died Jan. 4, 1924. He was interested in the Holland Theatre at the time of his death.

Daniel Holland has always lived at Old Forge. He attended the public schools and worked in the mines of the Jermyn Coal Company as a breaker boy, remaining in the employ of this firm until 1899, at which time he became associated with the Casey & Kelly Brewing Company. Three years later he was elected justice of the peace and in 1907 was reelected on the Democratic ticket. In 1914 Mr. Holland went with the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company as manager of the E. Robinson Sons Department at Pittston, Pa. In 1925, when the Old Forge Amusement Company was organized, Mr. Holland became president and manager.

Mr. Holland has been a lifelong Democrat and has served for two terms as committeeman of the borough. He holds membership in St. Lawrence Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society.

Stanley Charles Mazaleski, M. D., of Old Forge, is among the prominent young physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was born at Old Forge, Aug. 14, 1900, the son of Constantine and Amelia (Dycewski) Mazaleski.

Constantine Mazaleski, deceased, was a native of Poland. He was born at Suwalki, and came to the United States about 1892. He settled in Scranton, was married there, and later removed to Peckville, Pa. He settled at Old Forge in 1895, where he was employed in the coal mines. Mr. Mazaleski died in 1916 and his widow resides at Old Forge. They were the parents of ten sons: Joseph, electrical contractor, lives at Jersey City, N. J.; Anthony, electrician, employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, lives at Old Forge; Edward, deceased; Stanley Charles, the subject of this sketch; Leonard, U. S. Postal Clerk, lives at Old Forge; William, manager of the Liberty Store, lives at Old Forge; Edward, attends the College of Dentistry, University of Pennsylvania; Bernard, Henry, and Raymond, all at home.

Doctor Mazaleski attended the grammar and high schools of Old Forge, and was graduated from St. Thomas College in 1920. While a college student he was employed in the coal mines of this district and worked on the night shift, attending classes during the day. He later entered the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and in 1924 completed the medical course at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He spent four months as an interne at the Pittston Hospital, 12 months at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, and in September, 1925, came to

Old Forge to engage in the practice of medicine. He is a member of the medical staff of Pittston Hospital and also has served on the State Hospital surgical dispensary. He was a member of the teacher's staff of the Taylor Hospital for a short time. He is identified with the Luzerne County Medical Association, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association.

During the World War Doctor Mazaleski was attached to the Student Army Training Corps at the Catholic University, and later was transferred to Camp Hancock, Georgia, and assigned to a machine gun battalion. He is a member of the American Legion Post No. 585.

Doctor Mazaleski is a Republican, a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge, No. 382; Knights of Columbus, No. 372, and Phi Rho Sigma fraternity.

Edward J. Holland, M. D. Among the prominent young medical practioners of Lackawanna County is Edward J. Holland, of Old Forge and Scranton. He was born in Old Forge, October 15, 1900, the son of Daniel and Katherine (Barrett) Holland.

He received his early education in the public schools of Old Forge, and was graduated from St. Thomas High School in 1918, entering St. Thomas College and graduating in 1921. In the fall of 1921 he entered Temple University and received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1926. He served his interneship at St. Mary's Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. Since October, 1927, he has engaged in general practice at 1125 St. Anns Street, Scranton.

Doctor Holland is a member of the Lackawanna Medical Society and the Phi Chi fraternity.

Martin J. Walsh is among the successful young business men of Old Forge, where he was born April 27, 1895. He is the son of Nicholas and Bridget (Laffey) Walsh.

Both Nicholas Walsh and his wife are natives of Ireland. They are pioneer settlers of Old Forge, where Mr. Walsh was employed in the coal mines until his retirement. He is a Democrat and a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh are the parents of eight children, as follows: John H., funeral director, lives at Rendham, Pa.; Leo F., served in France throughout the World War as a member of Company K, 316th Infantry, deceased, buried at Minooka, Pa.; Martin J., the subject of this sketch; Stephen, Nicholas E., Joseph, William, and Mary, all at home. Nicholas E. and William Walsh are teachers.

After completing his schooling at Old Forge High School, Martin J. Walsh engaged in business here as proprietor of a retail cigar store. After eight years he sold his interests and became proprietor of the Holland Hotel. In 1920 he became the owner of the Old Forge Cigar Store,

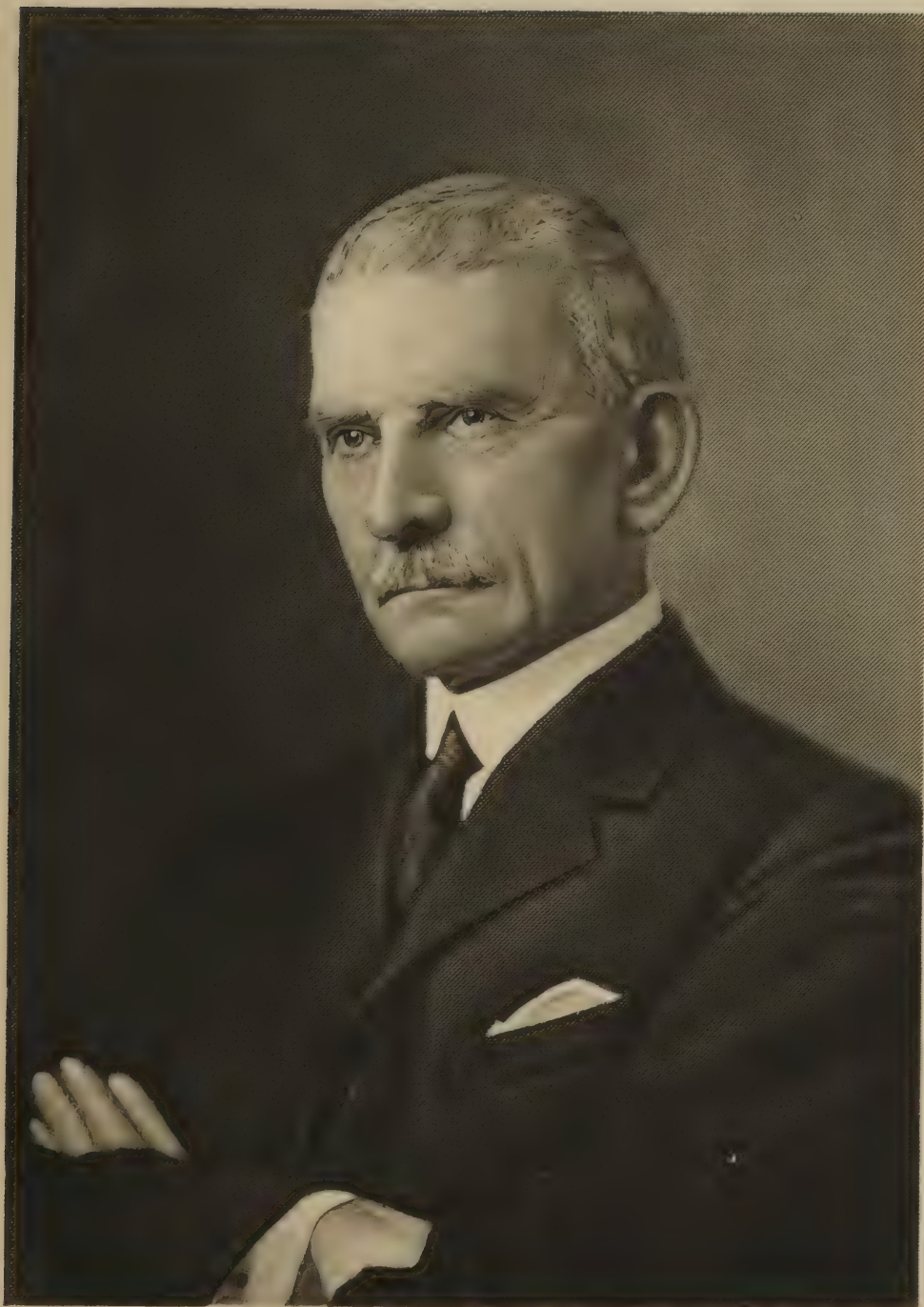
which he successfully conducts. He also deals in confectionery and ice cream.

Mr. Walsh is a Democrat, a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church, and belongs to the Holy Name Society and F. O. Eagles, Ariel No. 314.

Colonel Louis Arthur Watres, former lieutenant governor, stands as a splendid representative of the legal profession in Lackawanna County. He was born at Mount Vernon, in Lackawanna County, and is the son of Lewis S. and Harriet G. (Hollister) Watres.

Lewis S. Watres was born at Whitestown, N. Y., Feb. 12, 1808, and died in Scranton, Aug. 1, 1882. He was one of the founders of the first settlement in the Lackawanna Valley, having located at Mount Vernon in 1840. He purchased 400 acres of coal land and opened two of the first coal mines in this section. He built saw mills, established a general store, and developed the little village. He later became financially involved by reason of the failure of his uncle, a banker in Philadelphia, whom he had endorsed, and Mr. Watres was forced to relinquish his holdings at Mount Vernon. In 1861 the family removed to Archbald. Despite the fact that he was physically unfit for service in the Civil War, Mr. Watres was devoted to the Union cause and organized Company H, 52nd Regiment, commanded by the late Governor Hoyt and later Company I, 56th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. Throughout the war period he was tireless in his work for the government, soliciting war funds, defending the administration's war policies, and in every possible way doing what is now known as "his bit." He was a member and elder of the Presbyterian Church, and the first house of worship erected in the valley by any denomination, Pecktown Presbyterian Church, was his gift to the community. In 1842 he married Harriet G. Hollister, a poetess of talent, whose ancestors, the Goodriches and Hollisters, had come from Connecticut. Her verses were published under the nom de plume, "Stella, of Lackawanna." After her death a volume was published which was known as "Cobwebs."

The early education of Louis Arthur Watres consisted of attending night school, as he was obliged to work for his livelihood. He worked for the family physician for a short time, later was employed in the lumber mills and then worked for the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company. He then worked in a general store at Archbald, and after coming to Scranton attended the public schools for two years. He became a clerk in the local post office and later served as assistant postmaster. At the age of 21 years he was selected as clerk of the city commissioners of Scranton and also appointed deputy marshal of the mayor's court. He later entered the law offices of the late John Handley, who was presiding judge of the courts of Lackawanna County. Mr. Watres studied law for five years and in 1878 was admitted to practice in the Lackawanna courts. He served as county solicitor for nine years. Although a Republican, he



Louis Arthur Waters



was twice elected to the State Senate from a Democratic senatorial district, in which he lived. He was a member of the State wide commission which prepared the uniform primary election laws of the Commonwealth, which are now in force. While a member of the State senate he was elected to the high office of lieutenant governor of the Commonwealth, and the election returns at that time were a pleasing tribute to the confidence placed in him by his fellow citizens. His plurality was 22,000, while Patterson's plurality for governor on the Democratic ticket was 17,000. He was appointed commissioner from Pennsylvania by an Act of the State Assembly of the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

Colonel Watres commanded the 11th Regiment Provisional Guard, during the Spanish-American War, and he has a worthy record in the national guard, being in the service from 1877 until 1891, and from 1898 until 1904. He was captain of Company A, 13th Regiment for seven years. When the 13th Regiment returned from the field at the close of the Spanish-American War, Colonel Watres became its commanding officer.

Colonel Watres married Miss Effie J. Hawley, a descendant of the Hawley's of Connecticut, and of Peter Thatcher, one of the most noted pioneer preachers of the Old South Church at Boston. Three children were born to Colonel and Mrs. Watres: Harold A., deceased; Lt. Col. L. H., an attorney, lives in Scranton, is a veteran of the World War, having served as a major in command of the 108th Machine Gun Battalion in France, and now a member of the U. S. Congress, serving his third term; and Reyburn, an inventor and mechanical engineer.

Colonel Watres organized and built up the S. B. W. and was president of it until its recent transfer of ownership; president of the County Savings Bank; president of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company; president of the Mansfield Water Company; and president of the Historical Society of Lackawanna County. At the 90th annual commencement of Lafayette College, June 8, 1925, Colonel Watres was honored with the honorary degree of Doctor of Law.

Colonel Watres is chairman of the Lackawanna County Committee of Public Safety; chairman of the Y. W. C. A.; past president of the Scranton Council of Boy Scouts; and is a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association, Pennsylvania State Bar Association; American Bar Association; American Academy of Political and Social Science; National Geographical Society of Pennsylvania; Art Club of Philadelphia; Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and Railroad Club of New York. He is past grand master of Masons in Pennsylvania, 1916-1917; a member of the Masonic Home Committee of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania; a member of the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, being a 33rd degree Mason; and is president of the George Washington National Memorial Association, which is engaged in building a memorial to Washington, the Mason, at Alexandria, Va. He is a member of the Scranton Club, and Scranton Country Club.

Frank J. Doherty is well known in Moscow, where he has served as station agent for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad for more than a quarter of a century. He is a native of Scranton, born June 30, 1868, and a son of John and Ann (Quinan) Doherty.

Both John Doherty and his wife were natives of County Sligo, Ireland. They came to this country in the early forties and located at Scranton, where Mr. Doherty followed his trade as a blacksmith. In 1877 he removed to Moscow and purchased a farm in Covington Township, where he lived until the time of his death. His wife is also deceased and they are buried at Moscow. Mr. Doherty held membership in St. Catherine's Catholic Church and was a Democrat. There were six children in the Doherty family, as follows: Hugh, was a conductor on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, died Nov. 6, 1907; Frank J., the subject of this sketch; Vincent, born Aug. 8, 1875, married on Oct. 20, 1908, to Anna Yeager, and they have a daughter, Marjorie, lives at Moscow; Anna, married Fred Stone, retired, lives in Scranton; and Margaret, lives in Scranton, where she is employed in the offices of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad.

Frank J. Doherty was nine years old when his parents left Scranton and settled in Covington Township, where he attended the district schools. He has been in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad continuously since 1885, having started as a section man. He later learned telegraphy and worked in this branch of the service for ten years, being appointed station agent at Elmhurst in 1889. Two years later he came to Moscow as agent, where he has continued to the present time. He is a director of the First National Bank of Moscow and was one of the founders of the Moscow Electric Company and Moscow Silk Mills, having served as secretary of these two companies.

In 1904 Mr. Doherty married Miss Mary Durkin, the daughter of James and Catherine (Conlin) Durkin, natives of Ireland. They were early settlers of Scranton and are both now deceased.

Mr. Doherty is a Democrat and held the office of jury commissioner of Lackawanna County for four years. He was one of the organizers of the borough of Moscow and a member of the first council. He is a member of St. Catherine's Catholic Church and a member of the Lackawanna Veterans Association.

John W. Scanlon, of Moscow, is a member of one of the early families of Lackawanna County. He was born at Moscow, Nov. 13, 1865, the son of John and Johanna (Devine) Scanlon.

John Scanlon was born in Ireland, as was his wife. At an early age they emigrated to the United States and located first at Elmhurst, and later removed to Moscow, where Mr. Scanlon was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He met with an accidental death in September, 1876, and his wife died in 1901. Both are buried in St.

Catherine's Cemetery, Moscow. Mr. Scanlon was a Democrat. There were five children in the Scanlon family: Mary, married Maurice Harney, retired, lives at Dunmore; Margaret, lives at Dunmore; Hannah, deceased, was the wife of Richard Gilligan; Thomas; and John W., the subject of this sketch.

John W. Scanlon has always lived at Moscow. He attended the public schools and in 1879 entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a laborer. Later he worked as a brakeman between Hallstead, Pa., and Port Morris, N. J. He then learned telegraphy and for many years has been in that branch of the company's work, now being operator at Moscow.

In 1894 Mr. Scanlon was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Watson, the daughter of James and Mary (Mahon) Watson, natives of Ireland, and both now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Scanlon have four sons: John L., lives at home; William, married Anna McCabe, lives at Moscow, and they have a daughter, Dorothy; James, attends the University of Pennsylvania; and Leo, lives at home. Both of the older sons are employed by the Delaware & Lackawanna Railroad.

Mr. Scanlon is a Democrat, a member of St. Catherine's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Irish American Society. He served as school director for ten years and takes an active interest in local affairs.

George C. Van Brunt, superintendent of the C. P. Van Brunt Manufacturing Company, Moscow, is among the leading business men of Lackawanna County. He was born at Moscow, March 2, 1863, a son of Cortland P. and Sarah (Lyman) Van Brunt.

Cortland P. Van Brunt, deceased, was a native of New York. He was a boilermaker by trade and later became an engineer. In 1857 he came to Spring Brook, Pa., where he was employed in the timberland of Jay Gould. During that year he removed to Moscow, where he became associated with Messrs. Lyman and Houghton, as saw mill operator. They became lumber manufacturers for the Steinway Piano Company. Mr. Van Brunt later became sole proprietor of the business, which was known as the C. P. Van Brunt Lumber Manufacture. He was widely known throughout this section of the state as a lumber dealer and owned large tracts of land. He died in 1913 and his wife died in 1865. Both are buried at Moscow. Mr. Van Brunt was independent in politics and served as assessor of Madison Township for many years. He was a member of the Methodist Church. There were eight children in the Van Brunt family, as follows: Walter, deceased; John, lives at Moscow; Milo, Isaac, Lewis, and Cortland, all deceased; George C., the subject of this sketch; and Louie, deceased.

After completing his schooling in Moscow, George C. Van Brunt became associated with his father's lumber business. He served as superintendent of the plant and at the time of the reorganization of the busi-

ness in 1912 he was made vice-president, superintendent and a director. The business was again reorganized in 1921, and he has since served as superintendent and director.

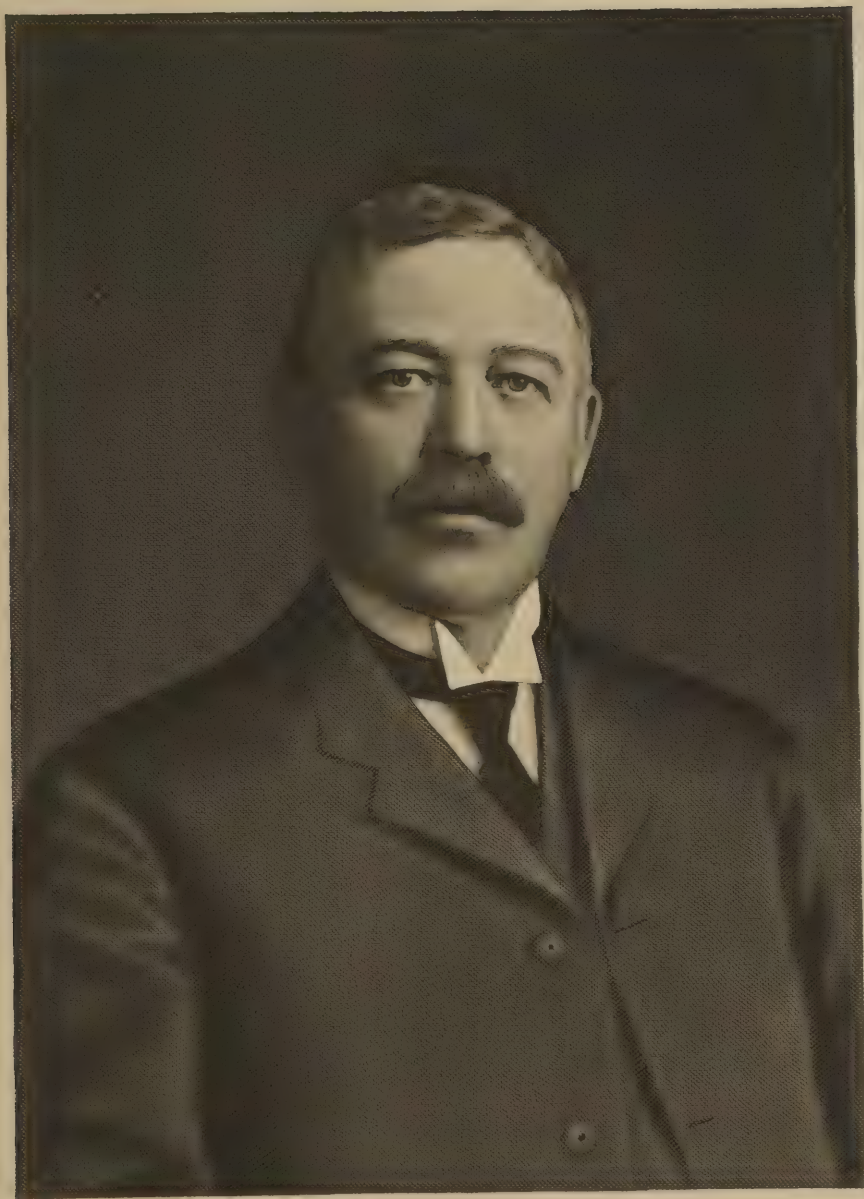
In 1888 Mr. Van Brunt married Miss Alice Scull, the daughter of Comfort Scull, deceased. They have the following children: 1. Blanche, married James McCabe, lives at Moscow, and they have three sons, James, George, and John Robert. 2. Cortland P., lives at Moscow, married Frieda Perry, and they have four children, Alice, May, Helen, and Cortland.

Mr. Van Brunt is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Moscow Lodge, No. 703, of which he was Past Grand in 1884. He is independent in politics.

Milton W. Lowry.—The name of Lowry has been identified for several generations in the State of Pennsylvania with current progress in the industries and professions, particularly in agriculture and the law. In present day professional achievement, Milton W. Lowry holds a leading position, and the sincere meeting of the responsibilities placed in his hands gives his name broad significance to the people and to the community at large. His personal relation to life and its responsibilities is that of the man eager to bear a share in the useful endeavors of his time, while with his brilliant mental endowment and his excellent educational equipment he has achieved outstanding rank in his chosen profession.

The Lowry family was founded in America by John Lowry, who came from Ireland at an early date and settled in Lowell, Mass. Tradition has it that he was induced to come to this country by an uncle whose name was Lowell, for whom the city was named. Tradition also states that John Lowry set sail on a vessel, which was shipwrecked, and while the young man was a nobleman in direct line and a son of a nobleman, he lost every paper and document in proof of his identity, his only salvage being the belt which he wore about his waist, which contained a considerable amount of gold coin. Reaching Lowell, he married Sabra Hunt, and they reared a large family.

In direct line from the pioneer, George Lowry became a resident of Sparta, N. J., prior to 1800, and worked at his trade of cooper in that community. In 1806 he settled in Luzerne County, Pa., subsequently removing to Clifford Township, in Susquehanna County and purchasing land there. Through defects in his titles, he lost the entire property, which represented the savings of his entire lifetime. This undoubtedly had more or less to do with his comparatively early death, and his wife, Mary, later married again, her husband being a Mr. Wilcox. She lived to the great age of nearly 100 years, passing away in 1870. Their children were: Holloway, of further mention; Nancy, wife of Chauncey Deming; Polly, wife of Jeremiah Tuttle; John, a resident of Kansas; Catherine, wife of P. S. Foster; George; and Sarah, wife of Orin Griswold.



Milton W. Lowry



Holloway Lowry, eldest of these children, was born in Sparta, N. J., in 1801, and died in Clifford Township, Pa., in 1875. He became a substantial and prosperous business man, founding his achievements however, on a similar misfortune to that suffered by his father. In 1822 he bought land in Clifford Township, and finding his title faulty, lost the property. The following year he purchased a second farm in Clifford Township and by giving very careful and systematic attention to his affairs throughout his entire lifetime, he became a successful farmer. In middle-life he became the owner of a second farm on the south slope of what is known as the South Knob of Elk Mountain. Holloway Lowry married, in 1824, Sophia, daughter of Captain James Wells, of Clifford Township. Mr. and Mrs. Lowry were the parents of the following children: Charles, who was born in 1826, who was a farmer of Lackawanna County; Martha, born in 1828, became wife of Rev. G. M. Dimmick; James W., of further mention; John, born in 1832, a farmer in Lackawanna County; Amy, born in 1834, wife of J. F. Kenback; Sarah, born in 1836, who married Elias E. Lowrie, and died in 1863; Wright, born in 1838, a farmer; Clark, born in 1840, a merchant in Scranton; Benjamin, born in 1842, a carpenter and builder by trade in Luzerne County; Hezekiah, born in 1844, a farmer on the homestead, now living retired in Dundaff, Pa.; and Samantha Jane, born in 1847, who married (first) Thomas Kelly, and (second) John Philbin. Nearly all lived to an advanced age.

James W. Lowry, third child and second son of Holloway and Sophia (Wells) Lowry, was born in Clifford Township, Susquehanna County, Pa., July 18, 1830, and died Dec. 3, 1908. Educated in the public schools and Dundaff and Waverly academies, he taught in early life in the public schools of his native county and Wayne County. About the time of his marriage (1854) he bought a farm near Elkdale, where he made his home. He conducted a lumber business with his father, also building a saw mill on his own farm. Active in lumbering interests for about eight years, he bought a large farm in Elkdale in 1862 and principally devoted his attention thereafter to the buying and selling of farm stock, and his agricultural interests were large. He also did an important business in the sale of agricultural implements and did much for the development of farm activities in that section. During the Civil War, when the invasion of Pennsylvania was threatened, he went with other leading citizens to Harrisburg to enlist for special service, but the need passing, they returned to their almost equally important duties of food production.

James W. Lowry was for nearly 40 years active as justice of the peace and was popularly mentioned as "squire." He served on the School Board for 15 years and in 1878 was brought forward by his party, the Republican, as candidate for the State Legislature, losing to his highly esteemed opponent by only 28 votes. He was a leading worker in the Baptist Church, and from its incorporation until his death he was one

of the trustees of the Abington Baptist Association of Lackawanna, Susquehanna, Wyoming and Wayne counties.

James W. Lowry married, in 1854, Alma Taylor, who was born Nov. 17, 1830, and was a daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Worth) Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Lowry were the parents of the following children: Wells J., a physician of Carbondale, Pa., who married (first) Celia M. Fuller, and (second) Flora M. Hammond; Milton W., of further mention; Samuel E.; Eva L., wife of John E. Williams, of San Jose, Calif.; Susan A.; and George E., who died in infancy.

Milton W. Lowry was born at Elkdale, Susquehanna County, Pa., March 10, 1859, and is a son of "Squire" James W. and Alma L. (Taylor) Lowry. First attending the public schools, he completed his preparatory course in Keystone Academy, in Factoryville, Pa., of which institution all his brothers and sisters were at one time or another students. He next entered Pennsylvania State College, Senator Nelson having appointed him to the scholarship as the result of a competitive examination, and he was graduated with honors in the class of 1884. Mr. Lowry is gifted with brilliant oratorical ability, and his college course was marked in its junior year by his success in class oratorical work, for which he received the junior prize. He also delivered the salutatory oration at the graduation exercises. His choice of a profession, the law, Mr. Lowry took up his preparations under the Hon. W. W. Watson and in 1886 was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. Filling the office of deputy prothonotary of Lackawanna County until April of 1888, Mr. Lowry then resigned to devote his entire time to the practice and has since been admitted to all State and Federal courts of his district. His ability as a counsellor is equal to his strength as an advocate, and he is counted among the largely important professional men of the day.

The large success of Mr. Lowry as a legal practitioner has paralleled his extensive usefulness in civic progress and in public affairs in general. City, County and State have felt the strength of his influence and he has borne his part in the popular movements which have contributed to the national upbuilding.

Mr. Lowry is a Republican, and locally active, while his success as a campaign orator has made him widely sought throughout the State. In 1909, he was elected president of the Republican State League at the convention at Altoona. This, however, was not his first public service, for five years previously he had received the appointment from the governor of this State as a trustee of the Pennsylvania State College, of which he is a graduate. In his constructive efforts on the board of this institution he has been a co-worker with such eminent men as Andrew Carnegie, Gen. James A. Beaver, M. E. Olmstead, Charles S. Schwab, Vance McCormick, and others of great prominence. For upwards of ten years he has been a member of the Executive Committee of this board. Mr. Lowry has also served as a member of the board of trustees of Keystone Academy, his own preparatory school, and in every branch of educational

advance he feels the deepest interest. For a number of years he served in the Select Council of the city of Scranton, which has been his residence since the year 1884. During the administration of Mayor Dimmick, he served as president of that body. Long a member of the Scranton Board of Trade, he served on that organization as a member of the Committee on Municipal Affairs and by appointment served with Judge John P. Kelly as special counsel for that body. This was the drawing up of an opinion and the preparation of a series of ordinances and bills for presentation to the State Legislature to regulate the operations of coal concerns mining underneath the City of Scranton. This vital legislation was brought before the State Legislature of Pennsylvania, and largely through Mr. Lowry's exhaustive familiarity with the subject and tireless efforts in its behalf the measure became a law. This was the first legislative measure passed which afforded relief to the city against the encroachments of the mining industry which has threatened its very foundations. Mr. Lowry was appointed acting postmaster of Scranton, April 24, 1922, and received his commission as postmaster from President Harding, Aug. 23, of the same year. He is fulfilling the duties of this position ably and efficiently, and his work is acceptable to all concerned. At the annual convention of the National Association of Postmasters of the United States held in Indianapolis, Ind., in September, 1924, Mr. Lowry was a member of the Committee on Resolutions and was elected one of the vice-presidents of the National Association. Affiliated with the various professional organizations of legal import, Mr. Lowry has few interests not closely in line with his work. He is sincerely devoted to his profession, and makes of his natural talent and strong faith in the future, bulwarks of protection for the civic body and the individual. He is a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Scranton, and was, for years a member of the official board and president of the board of trustees. In 1910 he was elected a trustee of the Abington Baptist Association, succeeding his father. It has been said of Mr. Lowry, regarding his professional work:

"He meets every issue in law, politics, or in general debate fairly and squarely, uses no subterfuge to gain his end, but upon a thorough knowledge of his cause and forceful and eloquent presentation depends for victory."

Milton W. Lowry married in October, 1885, Annie Martin Lowry, of Green Cove, Pa., born in Devonshire, England, Oct. 9, 1863, a daughter of William Martin, who came to America when she was but a babe. A few months later his wife and children consisting of Annie and an older brother and sister, embarked for the United States, arriving here in 1865 at his new home in Scott Township. The mother was ill when they arrived and did not long survive, and the father followed her in death within a few weeks. Upon the loss of both of her parents, Annie was taken by Mrs. Clark Lowry to her home at Green Cove, Pa., and on March 24, 1868, on petition of Clark and his wife Matilda Lowry, who had no living

children of their own, became their adopted daughter, by decree of the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, at Wilkes-Barre. She was educated in the public schools, at the Academy at Waverly, Pa., and at the Seminary at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, where she graduated in June, 1883. Her own mother's name was Anna (Gribbell) Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowry are the parents of one son, Robert. He was born April 1, 1889, educated at Merrill's School, the public schools, the School of the Lackawanna, Bucknell, and Princeton University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in June, 1912. On Jan. 9, 1918, he married Rose Randall, daughter of George W. and Clara Fulton Robertson, of Shamokin, Pa. She was an honor student at Mount Vernon Seminary, in Washington, D. C., where she graduated after graduation at Miss Baldwin's School at Bryn Mawr, Pa. Her father, George W. Robertson, is one of the foremost individual operators of anthracite coal mines in Pennsylvania, and of soft coal mines in West Virginia, with extensive business and banking interests in Philadelphia, where he spends much of his time, with headquarters at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. His home is on Sunbury Street, Shamokin, Pa. Robert Lowry and his wife live at 822 North Rock Street, Shamokin, Pa., where he is engaged in the production and sale of anthracite coal. He is a member of the Princeton Club of Philadelphia, the Kiwanis Club, the Country Club of Shamokin, and other social and civic organizations in this section of the State.

Patrick Joseph Casey, a representative citizen, and one of the most prominent and progressive men of Lackawanna County, was born in County Sligo, Ireland, March 11, 1869, and received his education in the public and high schools of that place. In May, 1883, accompanied by his father, Mr. Casey came to the United States, arriving in New York on May 30th. Mr. Casey went directly to Scranton, Pa., where he has since resided.

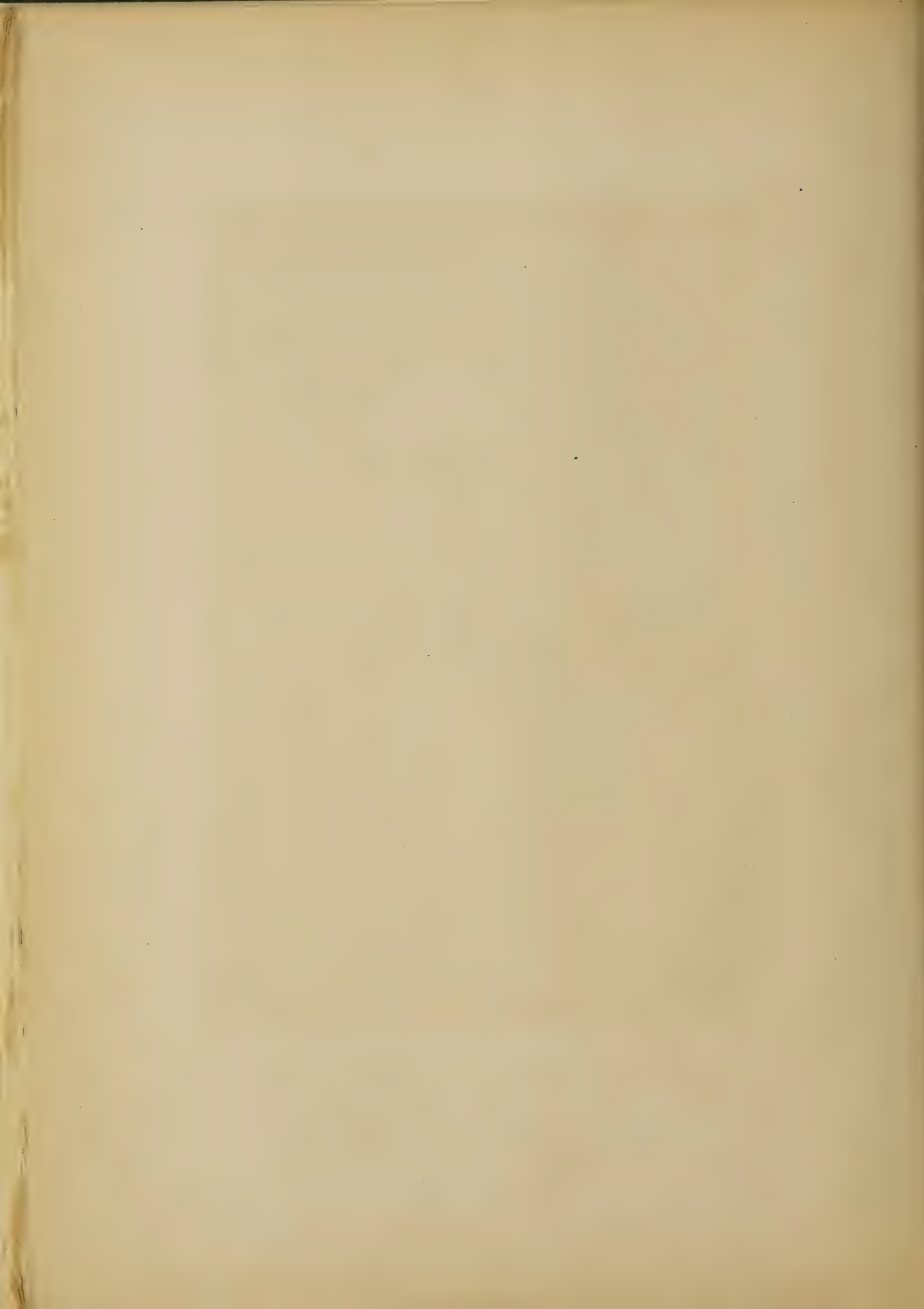
The Casey family came originally from Ireland, where Timothy Casey, grandfather of Patrick J., lived to the age of 100 years. James J. Casey, son of Timothy Casey, and father of Patrick J. Casey, was born in County Sligo, Ireland. The said James J. Casey married Catherine Biglin, from County Mayo, Ireland, and the union was blessed with nine children: Lawrence, Timothy, Andrew J., James J., Catherine, Mary, Bridget, Winifred and Patrick J., the subject of this review. James J. Casey died in Ireland, Jan. 10, 1907, aged 86 years, and his wife passed away on March 1, 1903, aged 79 years.

At Scranton, Pa., Patrick J. Casey joined his three brothers, who were conducting a wholesale liquor business, trading under the firm name of Casey Brothers. This firm was established for 50 years and celebrated their golden anniversary in 1920. Patrick J. Casey was first employed as office boy, but showing marked ability, he was advanced

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Patrick J. Casey.



rapidly to positions of great responsibility, when finally he was admitted to a partnership in the firm. In the year 1907 the business of Casey Bros. was incorporated, and Patrick J. Casey was elected treasurer and secretary, which office he held until the advent of Federal Prohibition, when the corporation was dissolved.

In the year 1910, Patrick J. Casey, and his brother, Andrew J. Casey, the subject of a review elsewhere in this history, trading as a partnership, erected the Hotel Casey at Scranton, Pa., which stands today as a mute testimonial to his public spiritedness and enterprise. This splendid hotel, one of the finest in the State of Pennsylvania, was formally opened on Jan. 21, 1911, by a banquet, the event being one that will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to be invited guests. This was a great undertaking on the part of the Casey Brothers, and the Hotel is one of which they can well afford to be proud. It is one of the largest and most commodious hotels in the entire State, having 400 rooms, 350 of which are with baths attached. Everything is to be had for the comfort of its guests, and the cuisine is unexcelled. The Hotel Casey is operated by the Hotel Casey Company, Incorporated, of which company Patrick J. Casey is president, and Andrew J. Casey is vice president; while associated with them are the two sons of Patrick J. Casey, Joseph G., who is treasurer and secretary, Eugene D., who is manager, and one son of Andrew J. Casey, Andrew J., Jr., who is assistant treasurer and secretary of the hotel corporation.

Mr. Patrick J. Casey again demonstrated his faith in the future of Lackawanna Valley by erecting in 1925, a four story Ramp Garage Building at Nos. 128-140 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pa., which was formally opened to the public for business on Jan. 23rd, 1926. This is one of the finest garage buildings in the State, having the main entrance to the garage direct from Adams Avenue; it accommodates five hundred cars, and is equipped with every modern device for giving efficient service to the car owning public. The garage is operated by the Casey Garage Company, Incorporated, of which company Patrick J. Casey is vice president, associated with him in this enterprise are his sons, Joseph G., president, Cyril A., treasurer and general manager, and Eugene D., secretary of the corporation.

For several years Patrick J. Casey was president of the Liberty Discount & Savings Bank of Carbondale, and also secretary and treasurer and general manager of the Casey & Kelly Brewing Company. In the year 1925 Patrick J. Casey was elected to the board of directors of the County Savings Bank of Scranton, and served on that board until the County Savings Bank merged with the First National Bank of Scranton in 1927, at which time Mr. Casey became a director of the First National Bank of Scranton, and a director of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company of Scranton.

Fraternally Mr. Casey is a life member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; a life member of the Manufacturers Club of Phila-

delphia; a member of the Knights of Columbus; a member of the Kiwanis Club, The Scranton Club, The Scranton Country Club, the Abington Hills Country Club, and the Dalton Men's Club of Dalton. Mr. Casey is also a member of the Scranton Camp No. 63, United Sportsmen of Pennsylvania; the Lackawanna Kennel Club, and the Firemen's Relief Association. Mr. Casey has always taken a deep and active interest in the Scranton Community Welfare Association, serving at various times as treasurer, vice president, trustee, and as chairman of important committees, at the present time being chairman of the Capital Account Committee. Mr. Casey always takes an active interest in the annual Chest Drive by serving in the capacity of team captain. In religion Patrick J. Casey is a Roman Catholic, being a member of St. Peter's Cathedral of Scranton.

On Jan. 31, 1894, Patrick J. Casey married Bridget Angela Casey, daughter of O. T. O'Malley; and they are the parents of the following children: Joseph G., a graduate of Fordham University and who attended Harvard Law School, and who is at present treasurer of the Hotel Casey Company, and president of the Casey Garage Company. Joseph G. Casey married Helen Virginia Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Clark of Cumberland, Md. Marian E., a graduate of Mount St. Mary's College and Trinity College, Washington, D. C., who married Leo V. Klauberg, head of one of the largest cutlery firms of New York City; Eugene D. Casey, graduate of St. Thomas College, who is at present manager of the Hotel Casey Company, and secretary of the Casey Garage Company. Cyril A., who is a graduate of Fordham University, and at present treasurer and general manager of the Casey Garage Company. He married Grace Alice O'Brien, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O'Brien of Scranton, Pa. Jerome P., a graduate of Georgetown, attended Harvard Law School, and is now a practicing attorney at the Lackawanna County Bar. Aloysius G., a graduate of Holy Cross College in 1927, who is now connected with the Travelers Insurance Company. Lawrence F., who is now in his senior year at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. Angela M., who is now a student at Marymount College, Tarrytown, N. Y., and Adrian V., a student at St. Thomas College.

Everett E. Dale, treasurer and manager of the C. P. Van Brunt Manufacturing Company, Moscow, is a member of a family that has long been identified with the history of Lackawanna County. He was born at Daleville, in Lackawanna County, Nov. 16, 1858, and is a son of William and Susan (Hodgson) Dale.

William Dale was born in Yorkshire, England, the son of David Dale, who came to the United States from England in 1813 and settled in Daleville. He made the trip in a sailing vessel and was en route three months, being met in Philadelphia by old Col. Henry Drinker, who owned large tracts of land throughout Pennsylvania, and who was instrumental in having Mr. Dale locate here. David Dale settled on the present site of

Daleville, which was named in honor of this well known pioneer, and he improved a tract of 100 acres in this section. He also owned and operated the old road house on the Drinker Pike for many years. He and Edward Wardell were the founders of the "Old Daleville Cemetery."

The education of William Dale was meager, as the early schools afforded little opportunity for education. He established a general mercantile business at Daleville and purchased his supplies in Philadelphia, making the long trip by horse and wagon. He became a prominent citizen of the community and for more than half a century served as postmaster of Daleville. He was also interested in the lumber business and operated a saw mill. He was a Whig and later a Republican, holding various township offices. He was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church. His wife was also born in England. Both are buried in Daleville. To Mr. and Mrs. Dale the following children were born: Mary, Walter, Mathew H., all deceased; Thomas H., deceased, was a prominent merchant of Scranton, president of the Anthracite Trust Company, also prothonotary of Lackawanna County, and congressman from the Tenth Congressional District; David W., deceased, was in partnership in the mercantile and lumber business with his father at Daleville, later succeeding his father as postmaster, and also a veteran of the Civil War; Frank, deceased, was a hardware merchant at Grand Junction, Iowa; Everett E., the subject of this sketch; Mary, the widow of Dr. Ruel Hanks, lives at Daleville; Eliza, died in 1923; Alice, married Myron Kason, who resided for a number of years in Scranton, where he served as alderman of the Ninth Ward and was also deputy prothonotary, and he and his wife now reside in Florida; and Eleanor, married Professor Holland, teacher of mathematics at Wyoming Seminary for 40 years, both deceased.

Everett E. Dale was educated in the public schools of Daleville and attended Wyoming Seminary. He was associated with his father's business until 1891, when he went to Des Moines, Iowa, and established a brick manufacturing plant. He returned to Scranton in 1904, was associated with the Consumers Ice Company until 1907, and then went to Lenore, N. C., where he took charge of the Wilson Lumber & Milling Company. Mr. Dale returned to Pennsylvania in 1918 on account of ill-health and was not active again in business until January, 1921, when he was made treasurer and manager of the C. P. Van Brunt Manufacturing Company. The officers of this concern are: A. N. Sayer, president; G. C. Van Brunt, vice-president; W. W. Mathews, secretary; Everett E. Dale, treasurer and manager; and J. J. Van Brunt, assistant treasurer. The board of directors is made up of the above named men and E. E. Dale.

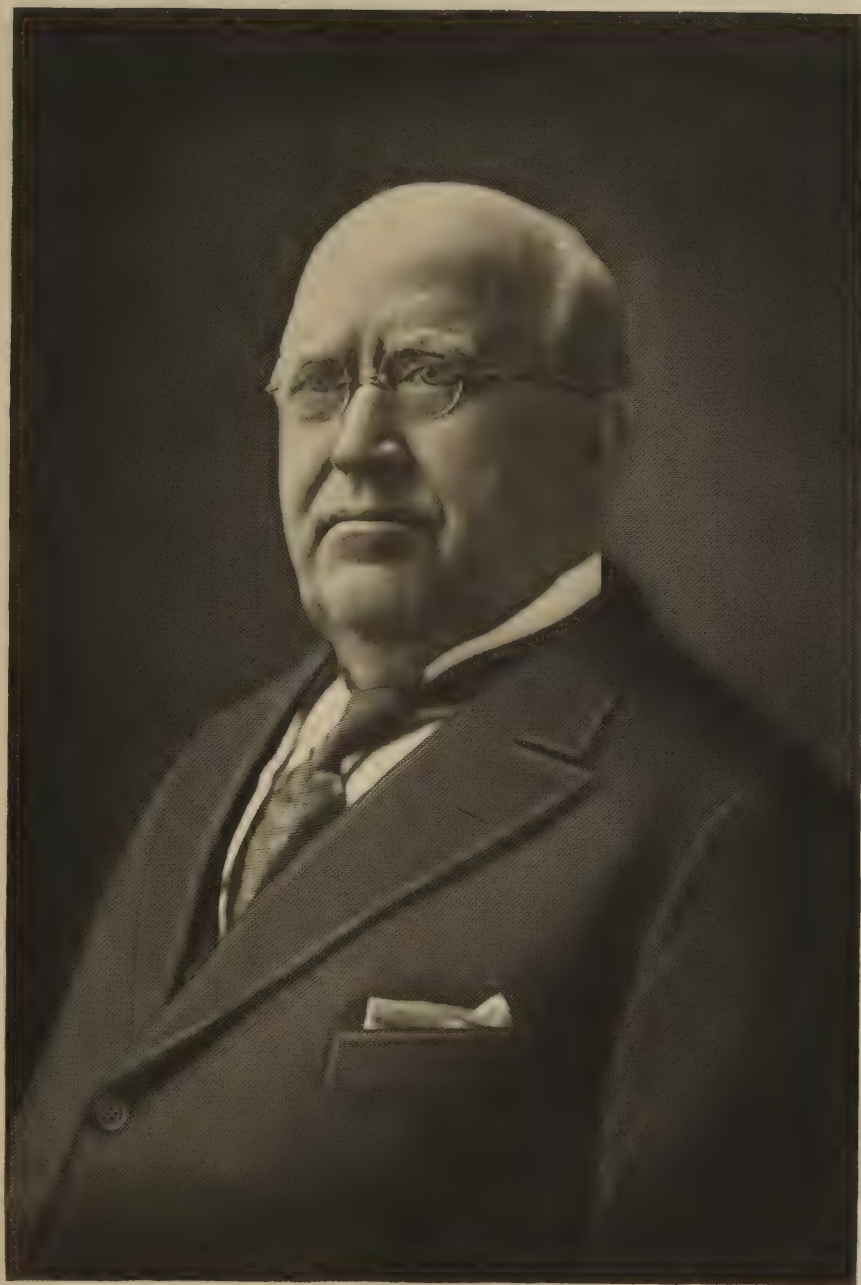
Mr. Dale was married in 1883 to Miss Elizabeth Middleton, the daughter of Amos and Emma Middleton, of Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Dale is a Republican and is affiliated with Moscow Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 504, Past Master; Scranton Chapter, R. A. M., No. 185; Coeur

de Lion Commandery, K. T., No. 17; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; and Zegasic Temple. Mr. Dale has always been a citizen of responsibility and prominence.

Andrew Joseph Casey.—Andrew Joseph Casey, one of the most representative business men in Scranton, has ably discharged the many duties devolving upon him through the responsibilities he has assumed, and, today, he stands deservedly high in public confidence and esteem.

Mr. Casey was born in County Sligo, Ireland, the son of James J. and Catherine (Giblin) Casey, both deceased. He was the third son of a family of nine children of whom five survive: Reverend Mother Mary Edan, of the Sisters of Mercy, Swinford, Ireland; Mrs. Bartholomew Candon, of Sheffield, England; Mrs. James J. Fleming and Patrick J. Casey of Scranton and Andrew J. Casey, the subject of this review. He attended the national schools of his native land and at the early age of 15 years he came to the United States. After some time he and his two brothers, Lawrence and Timothy, who had preceded him to America, went into the wholesale liquor business at Scranton, Andrew J. Casey serving as utility boy. The business was conducted on a partnership basis under the name of Casey Brothers, until it was incorporated by Andrew Joseph and Patrick Joseph Casey in 1907, the former being president and the latter acting as secretary and treasurer. The firm was established in business for 50 years and celebrated its golden anniversary in 1920. In 1897 the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company was formed with Mr. Casey serving as treasurer. This concern, when founded, included 14 other breweries throughout this section of the state. Upon the death of the company's president, Mr. Robinson, Andrew J. Casey was elected as president and he served in that capacity until April 1st, 1923, when he resigned. In 1911, A. J. and P. J. Casey founded the Hotel Casey, the largest hotel in northeastern Pennsylvania. Andrew Joseph Casey organized and became president of the Liberty Savings and Discount Bank at Carbondale, Pa., and he continued to act as president until he was offered the presidency of the Merchants and Mechanics Bank of Scranton, of which he had been a director. As, under the State Banking Laws, he could not be president of two state banks, Mr. Casey resigned from the Liberty Bank, his brother, Mr. P. J. Casey being elected to succeed him, and became vice-president of the Carbondale bank and president of the Merchants and Mechanics Bank. When the latter bank was merged with the First National Bank of Scranton, Mr. A. J. Casey became a director of the new institution and a member of its executive committee. As he has always believed in encouraging local enterprises, Mr. Casey is a director of numerous organizations and corporations, being a former trustee of the Community Chest of Scranton; a director of the State Hospital and the Mercy and Hahnemann hospitals of Scranton; the president of the Colored Peoples' Welfare Association; a director of many



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Catholic institutions throughout the State of Pennsylvania; an officer of the Lackawanna Motor Club; and a director of the Lackawanna Thrift and Loan Association. He has been president of the Scranton Planning Commission for eleven years and is the treasurer of one of the founders of the Abington Hills Country Club, which, when completed, will boast of one of the most magnificent club sites and one of the finest golf links in the entire country. Mr. Casey was also one of the enthusiastic supporters of the project which brought into being the Lackawanna Trail, which is recognized as one of America's most picturesque highways. He is a staunch Democrat, but, although frequently urged to accept nomination, he has kept out of politics. Mr. Casey is a fourth degree Knight of Columbus and he has been a life member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Scranton Lodge, No. 123, since 1894. The Scranton Chamber of Commerce holds his membership, and he is also a member of the Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia, the Pennsylvania Society of New York City, and the Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia and New York. A devout Roman Catholic, Mr. Casey is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral of Scranton.

Mr. Casey was married to Miss Mary O'Brien, the daughter of Thomas J. and Ellen (Goodwin) O'Brien of New York City. Mrs. Casey died in 1904, leaving her husband and two children: Mary Pauline, who is a graduate of Trinity College of Washington, D. C., and Andrew Joseph, who is a graduate of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., and who is, at present, the assistant treasurer of the Hotel Casey Company.

Ira W. Biesecker, who carries on a successful meat business at Moscow, was born in Lackawanna County, and has spent his entire life in this community. He was born in Madison Township, March 17, 1873, the son of Isaac and Mary (Potter) Biesecker.

Isaac Biesecker was born at Dunmore, Pa., June 6, 1830, the son of Michael and Catherine (Clase) Biesecker, natives of Bethlehem, Pa. The father of Michael Biesecker came to this country from Holland and settled at Providence, Pa. Later he purchased a farm in Madison Township. In his early youth he learned the tailor's trade, but later engaged in farming. He served throughout the Mexican War. Isaac Biesecker's early life was spent in assisting on the home farm. After his marriage he purchased the old homestead, in partnership with his brother Abraham, the land being divided into two farms. In 1867 Isaac Biesecker sold this farm and purchased another in Madison Township, where he remained until 1890. He then removed to Moscow and conducted a grocery and meat business at this place until his death. Mr. Biesecker was married Nov. 1, 1855, to Mary Potter, who was born at Gibson, Susquehanna County, June 14, 1837. She is also deceased. Mr. Biesecker was a member of the Christian Church and was elected Elder in 1865. He was a prohibitionist, and held various township offices. There were

five children in the Biesecker family: Leroy J., Smithfield, Neb.; Clarence M., deceased; Charles I., who died May 3, 1872; Ira W., the subject of this sketch; and Bertie J., Moscow.

Ira W. Biesecker obtained his education in the district schools of Madison Township, and at an early age became associated with his father in the meat business, having learned the butcher's trade from his uncle, George Potter, of Moscow. The business was purchased from Mr. Potter by Isaac Biesecker and Samuel Hornbacker, the entire interest being later purchased by Mr. Biesecker. Ira W. Biesecker served as manager for a number of years, and after the death of his father, in 1917, took over the business.

Mr. Biesecker was married to Miss Adeline Shaw, the daughter of George P. and Mary (Sweetser) Shaw. Mr. Shaw resides at Moscow. His wife is deceased. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Biesecker: Kenneth S., who is associated with his father's business, married Miss Frances Miller, and they have a daughter, Mary; and Mary Elizabeth, who lives at home.

Mr. Biesecker is a Republican and has served as secretary of the school board for 20 years. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is affiliated with Moscow Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 504, Past Master in 1903; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Past Grand in 1898, and secretary since 1898, in 1923 he was District Deputy Grand Master; B. P. O. Elks, No. 123; Red Men, and Sportsmen's League of Pennsylvania. He also belongs to the New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and is president of the Moscow Rod and Gun Club and president of the Moscow Retail Merchants Credit Association.

Eckley P. Schooley is numbered among the dependable business men of Moscow, where he is cashier of the First National Bank. He was born at Dorranceton, Pa., Aug. 4, 1887, the son of Edward and Mary (Evans) Schooley.

Edward Schooley was born at Beaumont, Pa. He engaged in general farming throughout his life and died in 1900. He is buried at Forty Fort, Pa. His widow was born at Evans Falls, Pa., and now resides in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Schooley had four children: Stanley, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history; Errilla, married Fred K. Lengler, lives in Scranton; Eckley P., the subject of this sketch; and Ruth, lives in Scranton.

Eckley P. Schooley attended the public schools of Dorranceton, and in 1906 was graduated from Central High School, Scranton. He began his banking career as a messenger boy for the Traders National Bank, Scranton, and in 1917, after numerous promotions, was elected assistant cashier. He resigned in 1921 and at that time became associated with Janney & Company, Philadelphia, as a bond salesman. Mr. Schooley has

been connected with the First National Bank of Moscow as cashier since 1925.

Mr. Schooley was married in 1910 to Miss Martha Hughes, the daughter of Edwin G. and Jane (Thomas) Hughes, of Scranton. Mrs. Hughes is the daughter of Thomas D. Thomas, who served as first postmaster of Hyde Park. Mr. and Mrs. Schooley have no children.

Politically Mr. Schooley is a Republican. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Green Ridge Club.

First National Bank of Moscow is one of the small but leading financial institutions of Lackawanna County. It was incorporated in 1909 with a capital of \$25,000, surplus of \$6,250, and deposits amounting to \$50,000. The officers were: J. E. Loveland, president; John Callegan, vice-president; and W. B. Miller, cashier. The directors were Frank Doherty, W. H. Copley, A. N. Sayre, Dr. C. E. Eilenberger, J. E. Loveland, and John Collegan.

In October, 1927, the officers were: J. E. Loveland, president; Dr. J. W. Knedler, and H. R. Megargel, vice-presidents; and E. P. Schooley, cashier. The directors are J. E. Loveland, Dr. J. W. Knedler, H. R. Megargel, W. H. Copley, F. J. Doherty, and A. F. Kramer.

The capital stock is \$25,000; surplus, \$25,000; undivided profits, \$23,891.95; reserve for interest, \$3,000; bills payable, \$20,000; deposits, \$687,282.09; total liabilities, \$784,174.04. Loans and discounts, \$348,676.94; overdrafts, \$189.83; bonds and securities, \$343,097.50; bank house furniture and fixtures, \$9,500; cash and due from bank, \$82,709.77; total assets, \$784,174.04.

Ernest August Vogelbacher, widely known throughout Lackawanna County as the successful proprietor of Hotel Erie, at Elmhurst, is a native of Germany. He was born in Berlin, Oct. 20, 1873, a son of John and Elizabeth (Mueller) Vogelbacher.

John Vogelbacher emigrated to the United States from Germany with his family in 1883 and settled near Pittston. He spent the remainder of his life on a farm in Madison Township, and was well known in the community. He died there and is buried at Pittston. His wife is also deceased. Mr. Vogelbacher was a Republican and a member of the Catholic Church. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Vogelbacher: Emma, married Jacob Burkhardt, lives in Madison Township; Mary, the widow of Fred Kaiser, lives at West Pittston; Bertha, married Eugene Schlatter, lives at Tunkhannock, Pa.; Henry, lives at Pittston; Ernest August, the subject of this sketch; Adolph, lives at Dupont; Carrie, married Henry Heinz, lives at Elmhurst; and John, lives at Clarks Summit.

Ernest August Vogelbacher received his education in the schools of Germany and Pittston. He remained on his father's farm for some time and later engaged in the milk business for nine years. In 1897 he removed to Dunmore, where he continued in the milk business for five years. He removed to Elmhurst in April, 1903, and purchased a hotel at that place. This is among the oldest hostelries in Pennsylvania, having continued in operation for 100 years. Its first proprietor was a Mr. Sherwood, who was succeeded by Mr. Dickson, Hall Compton, Benjamin Hayden, Charles Bird, James Callahan, and Mr. Vogelbacher.

On May 8, 1901, Mr. Vogelbacher married Miss Bessie Frederick, the daughter of Jacob Frederick, deceased. Mr. Frederick was a well known farmer of Madison Township. Mr. and Mrs. Vogelbacher have a son, Ernest, born Oct. 20, 1911.

Mr. Vogelbacher is a Republican and is serving as a member of the borough council. He and his family are members of the Catholic Church.

Edmund B. Jermyn, Jr.—As president of the Suffolk Anthracite Collieries Company, of Scranton, Edmund B. Jermyn, Jr., ranks among the representative young business men of this city. He was born in Scranton, Sept. 18, 1890, the son of Edmund B. and Mary (Decker) Jermyn.

A complete sketch of Hon. Edmund B. Jermyn, mayor of Scranton, appears elsewhere in this history.

Edmund B. Jermyn, Jr., received his early schooling in Scranton and in 1911 was graduated from Hills School, Pottstown, Pa. He was a member of the class of 1915 at Princeton University. Mr. Jermyn began his business career in Scranton as an insurance broker, having purchased the business of Warren T. Acker and R. W. Luce, which was incorporated under the firm name of Acker & Jermyn, with the latter serving as president. At the outbreak of the World War, in 1917, Mr. Jermyn enlisted in the Ambulance Corps of the U. S. Army, and was stationed in New York City. Later he was transferred to Camp Taylor, Ky., where he attended the Officers Training School. After the close of the war he returned to Scranton, and in 1920, organized the Suffolk Coal Company, at Avoca, Pa. Late in 1924 Mr. Jermyn founded the Eastern State Utility Company, with property in North Carolina, and he served as president of this organization until 1927, at which time he was elected president of the Suffolk Anthracite Collieries Company. He is also president and a director of the Great Bend Water Company, director of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, and director of the Maccar Corporation. He is also a partner in the Jermyn Brothers Company, sporting goods.

In 1918, Mr. Jermyn was married to Miss Gladys Connell, the daughter of Hon. Charles R. and Elizabeth (Shafer) Connell. Mr. Connell was born in Scranton in September, 1864, a son of Hon. William and Annie (Lawrence) Connell. He was graduated from Williamstown Academy in 1864, and in that year became associated with his father in the mercan-



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tile business. For many years he served as president of the Lackawanna Mills, and was also president and treasurer of the Scranton Button Company, and vice-president and director of the Third National Bank. He was also a director of the South Side Bank, Cherry River Boom & Lumber Company, Hebard Cypress Lumber Company, Richwood Store Company, and Cherry River Paper Company. He held membership in the Elm Park Church, and was affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Elks Lodge, Scranton Club, Union League of Philadelphia, Manufacturers Club of Philadelphia, Kiwanis Club, and South Side Republican Club. In November, 1919, Mr. Connell was elected to congress from the Sixth Congressional District and took his seat in January, 1920. His father had served as a member of congress in 1897, 1899, 1901, and 1904. On Sept. 26, 1889, Charles R. Connell married Miss Elizabeth R. Shafer. He died in September, 1922.

To Edmund B. and Gladys (Connell) Jermyn have been born three children: Nancy Connell, Susan Ann, and John.

Mr. Jermyn is a member of the First Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Elks Lodge, and Y. M. C. A. He is president of the Scranton Club, treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce, a director of the Scranton Country Club, and is also a member of the Kiwanis Club, Blooming Grove Club, Ivy Club of Princeton, United Sportsmen's Club of America, Sportsmen's League, Lackawanna Kennel Club, and American Legion. He is a director and vice president of Hahnemann Hospital. Mr. Jermyn is identified with the Republican party in politics.

Arthur B. Goodes, librarian on the Scranton Times, was born in Philadelphia, Jan. 23, 1874, the son of Ebenezer A. and Mary Elizabeth (Bendel) Goodes.

Ebenezer A. Goodes, artist and inventor, was the son of John and Sarah (Ashton) Goodes, who settled at Wilmington, Del., about 1820. Their four children were Ebenezer, Thomas, Emma, and Edward, all deceased. In 1873 Ebenezer Goodes married Mary Elizabeth Bendel, who was born at Collegeville, Pa., in 1842, the daughter of Israel and Lydia (VanFossen) Bendel. She now lives at Haddon Heights, N. J. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Goodes: Arthur B., the subject of this sketch; Belle A., married Richard Young, lives at Haddon Heights, N. J.; and Blanche, married Theodore Friendsner, lives at Oaklyn, N. J.

Arthur B. Goodes was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia. He studied textile designing, which he followed for some years, later becoming interested in library work. He has been librarian for the Scranton Times since 1912.

On Nov. 14, 1900, Mr. Goodes married Miss Jennie E. Kern, the daughter of Christian and Catherine (Knox) Kern, natives of Germany, and both now deceased. When a young man Mr. Kern came to this coun-

try. He served throughout the Civil War as a member of the 104th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was wounded at the battle of Fair Oaks. Mr. and Mrs. Goodes have a daughter, Catherine B., who was born in Philadelphia, Sept. 25, 1901. She was married in 1925 to Harry J. Kester, and lives at Newark, N. J.

Mr. Goodes is a member of the Special Library Association of the United States and Canada. He is affiliated with Peter Williamson Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 323; Lackawanna Chapter, R. A. M., No. 185; Scranton Council, R. and S. M., No. 44; and Melita Commandery, K. T., No. 68.

Ulrich Peter Horger, M. D., a World War veteran, is one of the best known of the young physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County, engaged in the practice of his profession at Old Forge. He was born at Taylor, Pa., Nov. 30, 1893, a son of Ulrich and Margaret (Von Bergen) Horger.

Ulrich Horger was born in Switzerland in 1858, a son of Ulrich and Magdalena (Fahner) Horger. Ulrich Horger, I, came to the United States with his family in 1864 from Switzerland. He was a carpenter by trade and became a well known building contractor of Taylor, Pa. He is deceased and is buried in Forest Home Cemetery, Taylor. On Dec. 22, 1874, St. Paul's Evangelical Church was founded at Taylor, and Ulrich Horger was elected first president of the Board of Trustees. He resigned from this office in 1876. To Ulrich and Magdalena (Fahner) Horger eight children were born, as follows: Magdalena H., married Albert Kocher, deceased, and she resides at Taylor, Pa.; Anna, the widow of Casper Frutiger, lives at Taylor, and her son, Walter Frutiger, is deputy sheriff of Lackawanna County; Elizabeth, the widow of Fred Kocher, lives at Taylor; Margaret, married Peter Von Bergen, both deceased; Catherine, the widow of Ulrich Zurfluh, lives in Philadelphia; Ulrich, father of the subject of this sketch; John, lives at Taylor; and William, deceased.

Ulrich Horger, II, was six years old when his parents came to the United States. He has continued his residence at Taylor throughout the years and during his business career has been identified with the Glenn Alden Coal Company as engineer. He has been a lifelong member of St. Paul's Evangelical Church, and was a member of the church's first confirmation class. He is a Republican and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Scranton-Swiss Beneficial Society. His wife is a native of Taylor. They are the parents of nine children: Bertha, deceased; Ulrich Peter, the subject of this sketch; William, general manager of the Taylor Automobile Company, is a World War veteran, and belongs to the American Legion and Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree; Walter, identified with the Taylor Automobile Company, is a World War veteran and belongs to the American Legion and Masonic Lodge; Harold, identified with the Taylor Automobile Company, belongs to the Masonic

Lodge; Grace, a graduate of West Chester Normal School, teaches in the Taylor schools; Ruth, a graduate of Indiana Normal School, teaches in the Taylor schools; Theodore and Robert, both students.

Ulrich Peter Horger was educated in the public schools of Taylor, Central High School, Scranton, and in 1912 entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1916. The following year was spent as an interne in Jefferson Hospital. In the fall of 1917 he enlisted in the U. S. Medical Corps and was sent to England and attached to the Royal Army Medical Corps of Great Britain, stationed at Stoke-on-Trent Hospital, and later at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, England. He specialized in orthopedic work. During the latter part of the war he returned to the United States and was stationed at Camp Sherman, Ohio, where he served for four months as assistant chief of the Orthopedic Service. He was discharged with the rank of captain in August, 1919, and the following month established offices at Old Forge.

In 1921 Doctor Horger was united in marriage with Miss Mercedes Watkins, the daughter of Hon. J. E. Watkins, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history. They have two children, Jean Watkins and Ulrich Peter, II.

Doctor Horger is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, and the Hawk Biochemical Society. He is a member of the staff of Taylor Hospital. Doctor Horger is also a member of the American Legion, Kappa Psi fraternity, Alpha Omega Alpha honorary fraternity, Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Taylor Swiss Beneficial Society.

John A. Johnston, assistant librarian of the Scranton Times, was born in this city, Feb. 19, 1898, the son of Anthony and Nellie (Weir) Johnston.

Anthony Johnston was born in Scranton, the son of Malcolm and Catherine (Gillespie) Johnston, natives of Ireland. He was a veteran of the Civil War. They are both deceased. Anthony Johnston was educated in the public schools of Scranton and spent his entire life in this city. He was employed by the Lackawanna Brewing Company throughout his active career, and while in that company's employ met with an accident which resulted in his death in 1900. He is buried in the Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. He was a member of St. Peter's Cathedral. Nellie (Weir) Johnston, who resides in Scranton, was born in this city, the daughter of John and Margaret Weir, natives of Ireland. To Mr. and Mrs. Johnston two sons were born: Joseph, deceased; and John A., the subject of this sketch.

John A. Johnston was educated in the public and parochial schools of Scranton and is a graduate of St. Cecelia's Academy. He was inter-

ested in the automobile business until 1924, when he became assistant librarian of the Scranton Times.

Mr. Johnston was married Nov. 16, 1922, to Miss Sadie McHale, the daughter of John and Bridget McHale, natives of Ireland. He is deceased. She resides in Scranton. Mr. McHale was among the early settlers of Scranton, where he was employed for many years by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston have a daughter, Mary Alice, born Aug. 19, 1927.

Mr. Johnston is a Democrat, a member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, and has served as secretary of the boys' division of the Catholic Men's and Boys' Club of Scranton. He is one of the prominent young men of Scranton.

William S. Jermyn is a leader among the representative young business men of Scranton, where he is identified with Jermyn Brothers Sporting Goods Store as general manager. He was born in this city, Sept. 20, 1895, and is the son of Hon. E. B. and Mary (Decker) Jermyn.

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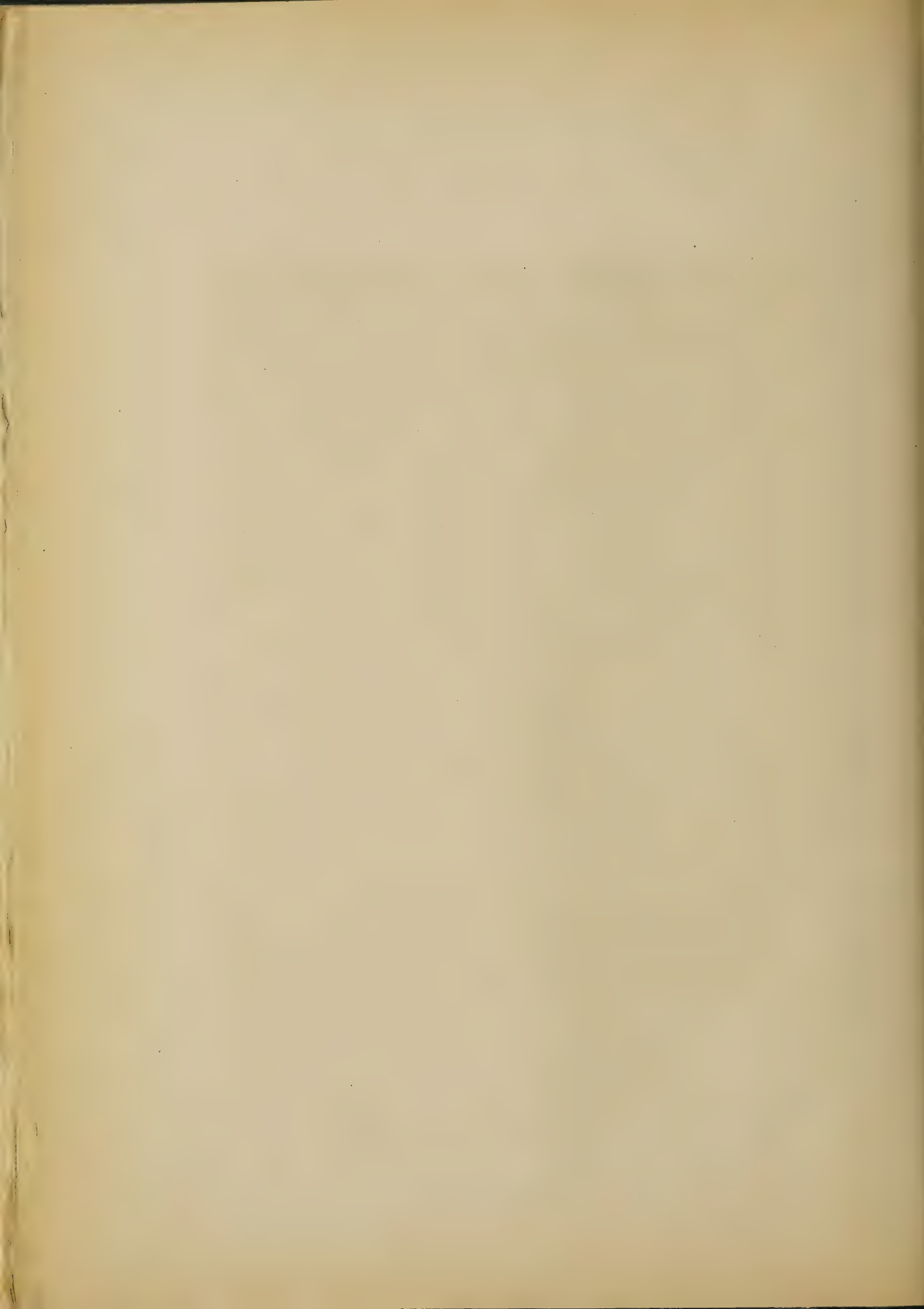
William S. Jermyn attended the School of the Lackawanna and in 1911 was graduated from Fessenden School, West Newton, Mass. He received his degree from Hill School, Pottstown, Pa., in 1916 and at that time became identified with the coal interests of Jermyn & Company. He continued with this branch of the business until 1921, at which time he resigned as assistant superintendent. In 1917 Mr. Jermyn volunteered for service in the World War and was attached to the 13th Regiment, 28th Division, Camp Hancock, Georgia. He was later transferred to Division Headquarters and sent to France, where he served with the supply company of the 110th Infantry, 28th Division. He was discharged as a first class sergeant in May, 1919. Upon his return to Scranton, Mr. Jermyn again resumed connections with the Jermyn Coal Company. In 1921 he went as superintendent and general manager of the Suffolk Coal Company, where he continued until 1924. At that time, in partnership with his brother, Edmund B. Jermyn, Jr., and his sister, Mrs. Major Lee White, and his mother, he founded the Jermyn Brothers Sporting Goods Store, which is located on Washington Avenue. He was also one of the organizers of the Eastern States Utility Company, which was sold to the Ohio Power & Light Company in 1926. He is a director of the Union National Bank of Scranton.

In 1921 Mr. Jermyn was united in marriage with Miss Julia M. Wallace, the daughter of Harvey Clifford and Julia (Shively) Wallace, of Scranton.

Mr. Jermyn is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian church, and belongs to the Masonic lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, League of Masonic Clubs, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Ameri-



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can Legion, Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Knights of Malta, Waverly Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He was one of the founders of the Sportsman's League of Pennsylvania and the Lackawanna Kennel Club. He is also prominent in the Scranton Canoe Club and Saddle Horse Club of Lackawanna County.

John Farnham Mears. Mr. Mears' business activities have centered in Scranton, where from his early years to the present (1927) he has been engaged in real estate operations, manufacturing, and banking interests, and now holds the office of president of the Anthracite Trust Company. The progress of Scranton, his native city, has at all times been an uppermost subject of his consideration, and he is a liberal sharer in all civic and patriotic movements, as well as those that indicate the growth and general advancement of the community.

Mr. Mears' grandfather, Sidney C. Mears, about the year 1842, settled at Greenfield, near Carbondale, Pa. In 1856 he moved to Hyde Park, and became a general contractor in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, specializing in the planning and construction of bridges. During the Civil War he offered his services to the Federal Government, and was in Sherman's Army in the capacity of bridge builder when it made its historic march from "Atlanta to the Sea". In that campaign some of the finest and most difficult work of his career was performed. At the close of hostilities he returned to his home and took up his position again with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, continuing with that company until a few years prior to his death. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, as was also his wife, Janet (Affleck) Mears, whom he had married as a widow, and who was the mother of his seven children, of whom John A. is of further mention.

John A. Mears, father of the subject of our biography, and a son of Sidney C. and Janet (Affleck) Mears, was born at Greenfield, Pa., April 11, 1849, and died April 24, 1905, at Scranton. His education was obtained from the public schools, after which he learned the trade of a carpenter, intending this to be his life's profession. He did not, however, remain employed in this line of work for long, for he obtained a position in the railroad company that had previously employed his father, and rose to the position of superintendent of colliery in the coal department, and in this position he remained for many years. For a time he was contractor on the Erie Railroad near Bath, N. Y., with John Flynn, with whom he afterwards organized the Old Forge Coal Company, miners and shippers of coal at Pittston, Pa. In 1893 Mr. Mears severed his connection with the company by selling his stock, and then began his operations in and about Scranton. He stands out today as one of Scranton's far-sighted business men, honored and respected by all who knew him either in a business or social way. He attained wide prominence in the

city, and held positions on the directorates of the Moscow Water Company, the Fairview Park Land Company, the Honesdale Water Company, the Nicholson Water Company, the Halstead Water Company, the Great Bend Water Company, and held the office of president of the Alexander Car Replacer Manufacturing Company. He was also for a time president of the People's Coal Company. Standing as a monument to his constructive ability is the ten-story office building in Scranton, named in his honor the Mears Building. Besides standing out prominently as a successful business man, Mr. Mears was also a prominent Mason, having passed all the chairs in Hyde Park Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He married Evangeline V. Farnham, daughter of Alpheus B. Farnham. Among the children born to this union but two survive: John Farnham, of whom further; and Frances, who married Warren T. Acker.

John Farnham Mears, son of John A. and Evangeline V. (Farnham) Mears, was born Aug. 6, 1883, at Scranton, where he graduated from the grade and high schools. Afterward he matriculated at Cornell University, from which he was graduated with the class of 1906. He is president of the Anthracite Trust Company, an outline of which company is given below. Besides his association with the Anthracite Trust Company, he is part-owner and manager of the Mears Building, and president of the Alexander Car Replacer Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of railroad devices.

In politics, Mr. Mears is a Republican, but has never held nor desired public office. His religious fellowship is with the First Presbyterian Church.

John Farnham Mears married, June 6, 1906, at Meshoppen, Pa., Ruth Choate Loomis, daughter of Otis Harrison and Elizabeth S. (McKune) Loomis. They are the parents of two children: John F., Jr., born Oct. 17, 1907; and Theodore Loomis, born Oct. 31, 1911.

The Anthracite Trust Company, of which John F. Mears is president, was incorporated March 29, 1910, with a capital stock of \$250,000 and a surplus of \$50,000, the incorporators: Arthur Dunn, George W. Phillips, J. F. Mears, Harry C. Reynolds, A. D. Blackington, R. E. Prendergast, William H. Hagen, W. M. Bunnell, George V. Millar, A. B. Cohen, William N. Reynolds, P. F. Conner, Frank Becker, E. C. Mumford, H. H. Shepherd, John Scheuer, Jr., R. B. Little, C. A. Sisk, John Von Bergen, C. E. Tobey, Jos. L. Cake, Frederic W. Fleitz, John R. Farr, Herman D. Stender, Thomas H. Dale, and Thomas R. Hughes. The past presidents of the company are: Hon. Thomas H. Dale, deceased, and Gen. Frederic W. Fleitz, deceased. The present (1927) executive officers of the company are: John F. Mears, president; Willard M. Bunnell, vice-president and trust officer; H. C. Reynolds, second vice-president and general counsel; George F. Stuckart, secretary and treasurer; Charles McMeans, assistant secretary; Wm. C. Miller, assistant secretary-treasurer; Wm. J. Dooley, assistant treasurer; and John A. Kiesel, assistant treasurer.

The Anthracite Trust Company has from its inception done a general banking and trust business, receiving deposits, and acting in a fiduciary capacity as executor, administrator, trustee, guardian, issuing commercial letters of credit, etc. It has entered extensively into the field of real estate loans, and has sold large amounts of securities, such as mortgage certificates and mortgages issued against such mortgage loans. The company has enjoyed a steady, consistent growth, its resources now being \$6,236,516.10. The capital stock has been increased to \$500,000 to meet the demands of increasing business, and had a surplus of \$400,000 on May 31, 1927.

George B. Jermyn. Connected with both the industrial and financial interests of Scranton, George B. Jermyn, who lives retired, has aided greatly in the development of the business life of Scranton, as did his father before him, John Jermyn. He was born at Scranton, Pa., May 9, 1862, the son of John and Susan (Knight) Jermyn. A complete sketch of John Jermyn and his business interests appear elsewhere in this history.

George B. Jermyn acquired his early schooling at Jermyn, and attended Merrill's Academic School, Scranton, and the Granville (N. Y.) Military Academy. After his graduation in 1881 he spent six months traveling in Europe and in 1882 became associated with the coal fields of Lackawanna County as a member of a surveying crew. In 1886 he became business manager for the Standard Oil Company in Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, but three years later resumed his work in the coal industry, becoming one of the largest anthracite operators in this section of Pennsylvania. Mr. Jermyn was elected president of the Dime Bank of Scranton in 1907, and held this office until 1917 when he resigned. After the death of his father he became executor of the Jermyn estate and served in that capacity until September, 1927, when he settled the estate and retired. He was also president of the Great Bend and Hallstead Water Companies, vice-president of the Tintern Manor Water Company, and treasurer of the Dennington Coal Company. He is now vice-president of the Gulf, Texas & Western Railroad and a director of the Traders National Bank, Scranton. Mr. Jermyn has offices in the Traders National Bank Building and lives at 616 Webster Avenue.

In 1892 Mr. Jermyn was united in marriage with Miss Annie Adams, the daughter of Hon. A. N. and Angie M. (Phelps) Adams. Mr. Adams served as state senator from his district and lived at Fair Haven, Vt. He was also genealogist of the Adams family of Vermont. Both he and his wife are deceased. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Jermyn: John, lives in Scranton; Margaret Adams, married John O. Christian, coal operator, Scranton, and they have three children, John Jermyn, Frank Phillip, and Margaret Adams; and Ruth Adams, who lives at home.

Mr. Jermyn is a member of the Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Fair Haven Country Club, Irem Country Club, Civic Better-

ment Club, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with Peter Williamson Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 323; Lackawanna Chapter, R. A. M., No. 185; Melita Commandery, K. T., No. 68; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre; and P. B. O. Elks, No. 123.

Warren T. Acker is an enterprising and progressive business man of Scranton, where he is identified with the Legitts Creek & Von Storch Collieries, as general manager. He was born in Scranton, Feb. 9, 1884, and is a son of William L. and Millie T. (Tampa) Acker, now Mrs. John A. Schadt.

William L. Acker, deceased, was a well known resident of Scranton. He was born in this city in 1858 and during his business career was connected with the auditing department of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company. He died in 1887 and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. His widow resides in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Acker had two sons: Warren T., the subject of this sketch; and William L., lives in Scranton, where he is identified with the Acker Drilling Company.

William L. Acker was the son of John M. and Margaret R. (Reidell) Acker, natives of Bethlehem, Pa. They were early settlers of Scranton.

Warren T. Acker was graduated from the public schools of Scranton in 1903, after which he attended Colgate University. He then became interested in the insurance business and was one of the founders of the Acker & Jermyn Insurance Company. In 1918 he became interested in the coal business and in that year purchased the Von Storch Collieries from the Hudson Coal Company, later becoming sole owner of this enterprise. In 1924 Mr. Acker sold his interests to the South Penn Collieries, but is still general manager of the Legitts Creek & Von Storch Collieries.

In 1916 Mr. Acker attended the Plattsburgh Officers Training Camp, where he received the commission of first lieutenant. In April, 1917, he was called into active service and assigned to Madison barracks, New York, where he was commissioned a captain. He was transferred to Camp Dix, N. J., where he was promoted to the rank of major and assistant executive officer under Major General Hugh L. Scott. He remained there in active duty until the close of the war and was discharged in December, 1918. He now holds the rank of major in the U. S. Reserve Army Officers Corps.

In 1907 Mr. Acker was united in marriage with Miss Frances Mears, the daughter of John A. and Evangeline (Farnham) Mears. Mr. Mears was born at Greenfield, Pa., April 11, 1849, and died April 24, 1905. He was one of the most prominent citizens of Lackawanna County, and for many years was superintendent of the collieries of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He was also the founder of the Old Forge Coal Company at Pittston, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Acker have two children, Frances Marion, and James Warren.



Harry J. Acker



Mr. Acker is a Republican, a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Waverly Country Club, American Legion, Army & Navy Club of New York, and Colgate Alumni Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania. He is president of the Rotary Club of Scranton, former president of Camp No. 1, Sportsmens League of Pennsylvania, director of the Chamber of Commerce, and trustee of the Community Welfare Association. He is also a member of the American Public Health Association, and a director of the Scranton County Day School. He is a director of the Anthracite Trust Company.

Edmund B. Jermyn. Having a precious heritage in the strong traits of character that came to him from his worthy and honored father, John Jermyn, together with a foundation laid in sound and progressive business principles, Edmund B. Jermyn quite naturally had become one of the most important of the mine operators in the Scranton field, as well as of great influence in financial circles in that city, bringing also into the body of citizenry a robust personality, which made itself felt during his administrations as mayor of Scranton, these having been noted for their successful accomplishments along the line of safe and sane business. This worthy son of the incomparable Jermyn, for whom a borough is named, and in honor of whose birthplace in England another borough is named, and whose estate, beginning with zero, had grown to the value of seven figures, has demonstrated to the full, in cooperation with his four brothers, a capacity for administering faithfully and with integrity the several units of the vast estate to the end that the monetary returns have been of increased volume and value. Realizing to the utmost the responsibility thrust upon him and his brothers when their father laid aside forever the mantle of his manifold activities, the son, Edmund B., assumed his share of the burden cheerfully and with that wisdom which was his as a birthright, also bringing into full play the result of his training in the school of experience, of which his father was for a considerable length of time the preceptor. As the chief executive of the city of Scranton, he rendered invaluable service to the taxpayer by successfully conducting the public business in a manner which was at once progressive and yet economical. This he was able to accomplish by applying to the business problems of the municipality the principles and methods of a properly conducted private commercial enterprise.

John Jermyn, father of Edmund B. Jermyn, was born in Rendham, Suffolk, England, in 1825, and died in Scranton, Pa., May 29, 1902. His wife, Susan (Knight) Jermyn, whom he married Oct. 19, 1851, was a daughter of Joseph Knight, of West Scranton, and she died Jan. 17, 1906. To the marriage of John and Susan (Knight) Jermyn were born ten children, as follows: Joseph J.; William C., deceased; Frank H., deceased;

Myron, deceased; George B.; Walter M.; Edmund B., the subject of this biography; Emma, married D. M. Mears; Susan, married R. A. Downey, of Oswego, N. Y.; and Rollo G.

The seventh son of John and Susan (Knight) Jermyn, Edmund B. Jermyn, was born April 12, 1867, in Jermyn, Pa. He attended the public schools of Jermyn and took courses successively at the Peekskill Military Academy, Peekskill, N. Y.; Harry Hillman School, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; and Pierce's Business College, Philadelphia. He was now equipped with an education to engage in the world of business and he entered the office of his father in Scranton, remaining in that position of opportunity and helpful environment for three years. His first position of an executive nature came with his assumption of the management of the grist mill at Jermyn. In 1896, or six years before his father's death, he became manager of the Jermyn mining properties at Old Forge, where he has had his business headquarters for many years. In addition to many private and corporate interests, Mr. Jermyn is president of the Traders' Coal Company of Laffin, Pa., and president of the Archbald Bank of Archbald, Pa., of which he was also the founder. He is also the owner and president of the Lakeside Coal Company and the Dinnington Coal Company, and is a director of the Wayne County Agricultural Society. He is a former president of the Taylor Hospital at Taylor, Pa., which office he occupied for seven years, and now is chairman of the hospital's executive committee. His seemingly tireless energy and his sound policies as a business man and financier enabled him to make a successful campaign for the nomination of mayor of Scranton in 1913, and he was elected to that office in November of the same year, the people reposing confidence in his ability to give them a wise and beneficent administration in response to his characteristic plea: "I would like to be a mayor to demonstrate how easy it is to render better service in every respect to the taxpayer, without any more cost. I want to take hold of the City Hall and run public business as an up-to-date private successful business is run." The period of his occupancy of the mayor's chair is one of the bright spots in the municipality of Scranton.

Mr. Jermyn is affiliated with all the bodies of the Free and Accepted Masons, including both the York and Scottish Rites (thirty-second degree). He is a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Wilkes-Barre, and is president of the Masonic Club. He also holds membership in the Patriotic Order Sons of America, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and the Knights of Malta. His clubs are: The Scranton, Country, Bicycle, Craftsman, and the Scranton Rod and Gun, the Engineers' Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania; the Sportsmen of America, Wooden Plate of Philadelphia, Westmoreland of Wilkes-Barre, and the City Club of Oswego, N. Y. He is also a member of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Jermyn is fond of outdoor sports, and in his younger days was actively interested in athletic activities, football, etc. He now owns a splen-

did farm in Wayne County, Pa., where he has a lot of harness horses, and raises pedigreed Guernsey cattle.

Mr. Jermyn married Mary Decker, of Scranton, and to them have been born three children: 1. Edmund B., who graduated from Princeton University, 1915; married Gladys Connell, and has three children, Nancy Susan, and John. 2. Elizabeth, a graduate of Rosemary Hall, Greenwich, Conn.; married Major Lee White, of Madison, N. J., and they have two children: Major Lee, Jr., born Sept. 18, 1913; and Elizabeth, born Jan. 27, 1917. 3. William S., who attended the Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.; married Julia Wallace, of Scranton.

Mr. Jermyn has his Scranton office at the Union Bank Building, and his residence is at No. 621 Jefferson Avenue.

Thomas F. Murphy, author of the Jubilee History of Lackawanna County, is a native of Scranton, born Feb. 4, 1879. His parents were Thomas E. and Prudence (Clarke) Murphy, natives of Ireland.

Thomas F. Murphy was educated in St. Patrick's Parochial School, the public schools of Scranton, and graduated from Central High School in 1898. While still a student at Central he engaged in part time work with the Scranton Times, with which publication he is still connected. His first job was in the circulation department. Later he became a branch office manager and joined the repertorial staff of the Times in 1901. For several years he was city hall and political reporter. In 1906 he was made assistant city editor, later city editor, and served in that capacity until August, 1920, when he became associate editor of the Times, which position he still holds.

In politics Mr. Murphy is a Democrat. He was city chairman of his party in 1910, 1921 and 1922. Mr. Murphy was a charter member of Scranton Newswriters' Union, No. 3, and served several terms as president of that organization. He early became a member of the Scranton Surface Protective Association, was vice-president for two years. He was president and a charter member of the Equity Club, vice-president of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce, 1927-28; former president of St. Brendan Council, Young Men's Institute; a member of the Fox Hill Country Club, the Junger Maennerchor, and director of the Lackawanna Historical Society.

Mr. Murphy's home is in West Scranton, in which section he was born. On Feb. 21, 1914, he married Miss Anna O'Dea, also of West Scranton. Mrs. Murphy was appointed a member of the Board of Registration Commission, of Scranton, by Governor Gifford Pinchot in 1924. She was the first chairman of the Democratic Women's Committee of Lackawanna County.

Mr. Murphy is of a family of 12 children, six of whom survive. In addition to Mr. Murphy these are: Patrick J., Mathew W., Margaret, Jane and Katherine Murphy. Mr. Murphy's father was an iron and steel

worker and was employed for the greater part of his life by the Lackawanna Iron & Steel Company.

In addition to the Jubilee History of Lackawanna County, Mr. Murphy is the author of the History of West Scranton.

William P. Boland.—Always able to “brave opinion’s settled frown while wrestling revered error down,” William P. Boland has won for himself an enviable place in the hearts and confidence of the people of Northeastern Pennsylvania and his constructive energy has been of real service to the community.

The biographer knows that he loves to fight in the cause of right and has never been known to falter where duty called. In this relation it may be said that to be thus impelled in times like these is to be unique.

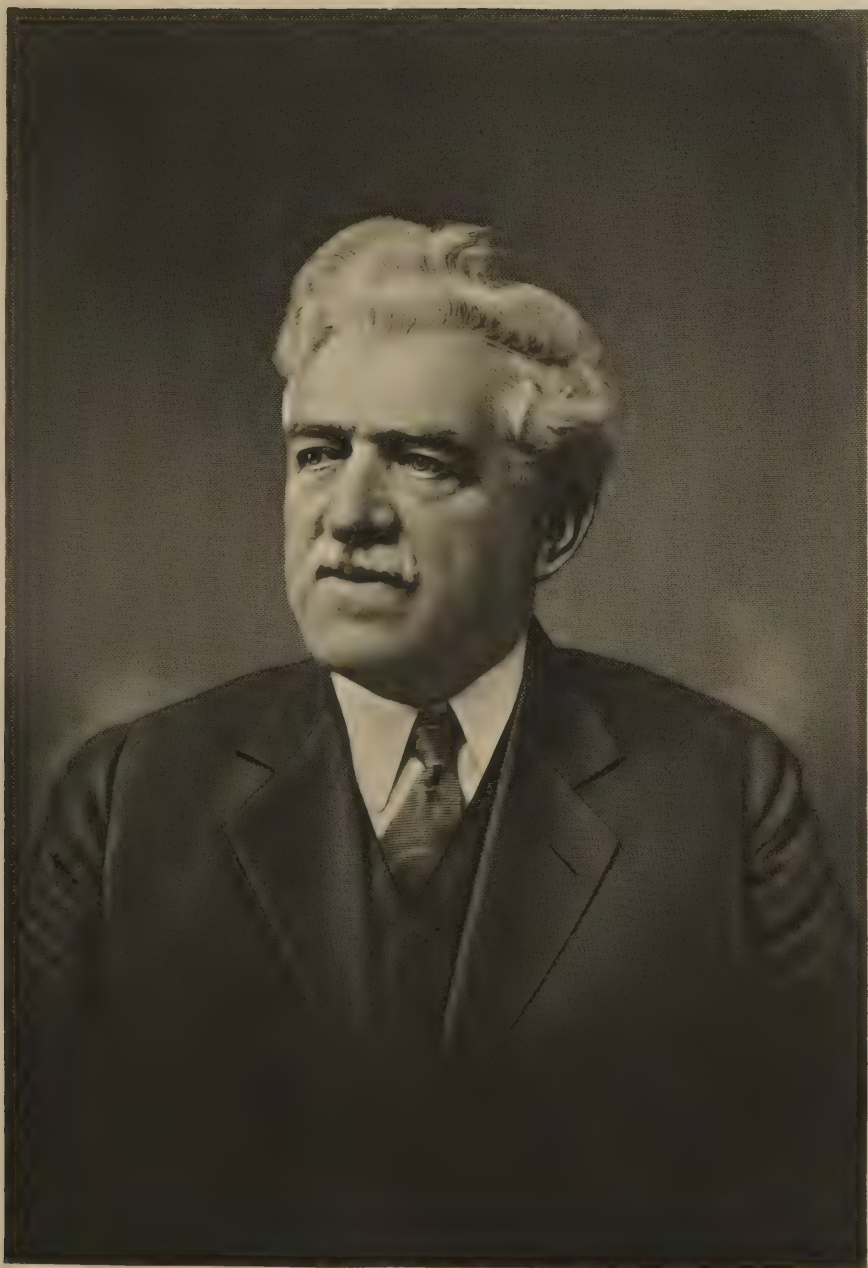
But William P. Boland is unique. That will be generally admitted. Where some may acquiesce for peace sake and others compromise to avoid conflict, he differs, let us say, from the general run of men by looking for the real truth in a situation and when he finds it gives full expression to it.

He is not misunderstood. In fact, he seems to be occasionally too well understood by some for their own peace of mind and hence he occupies a place in the sun at times somewhat lonely, but always securely. He seeks to benefit all without injuring any. Every community needs men of the Boland type. They blaze the way to better things. They help to hold in check the counter currents which threaten the equities of life. History furnishes parallel situations and that is why the chief actors in these dramas stand out in pleasing relief. They are always stronger, because they are right and the justice of their position is usually recognized most by those who oppose them.

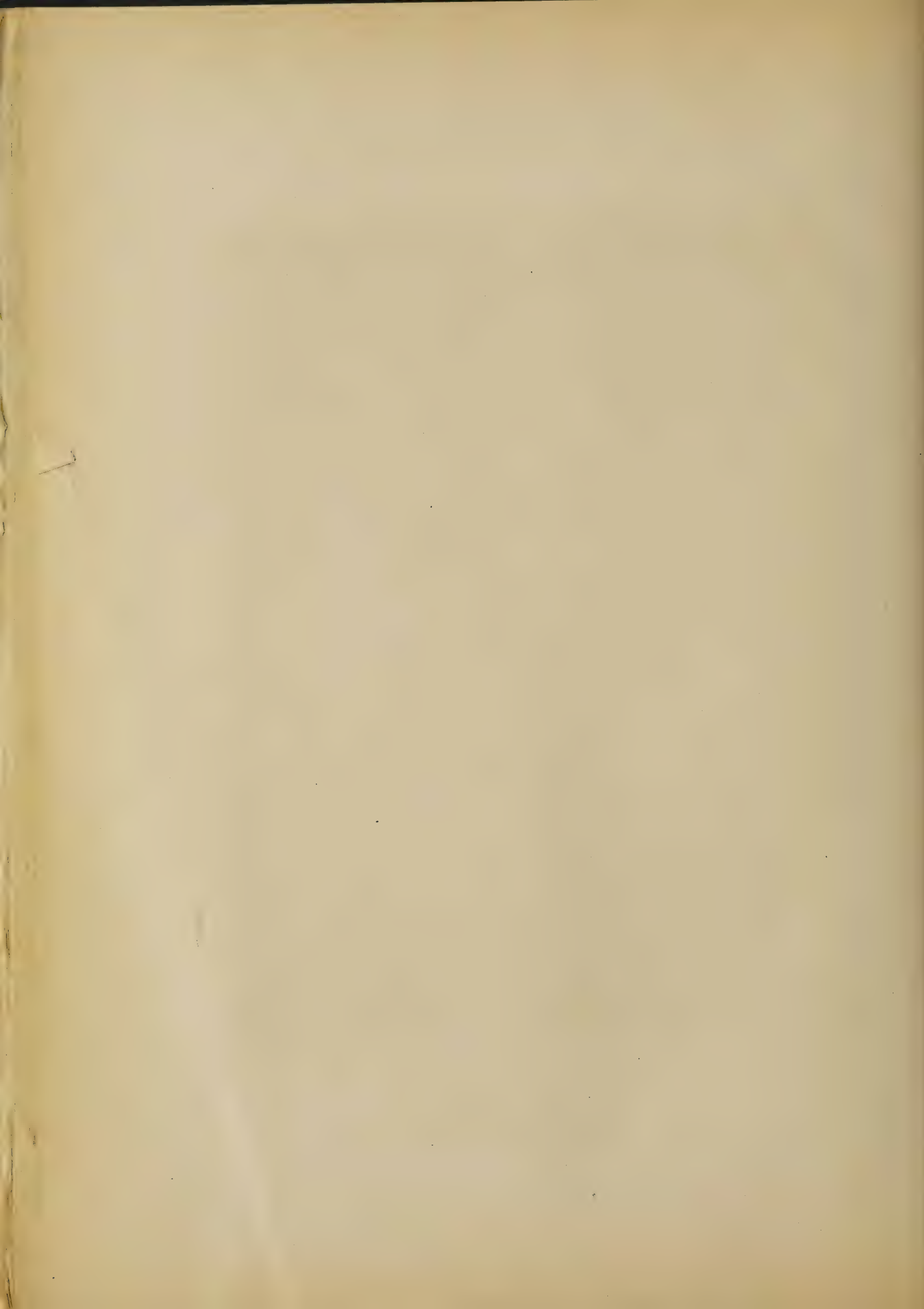
Mr. Boland was born in Ireland, on January 6, 1863, the son of James and Ann (Biglin) Boland. When but two years of age he was brought to America by his parents. His father contracted a severe cold during the long and tedious ocean voyage and died two days after arriving in Scranton. The family, then consisting of his mother, three brothers, Christopher G., John T. and James M. Boland, and one sister, Mary Boland, and the two-year-old subject of this article, were in a new country, thrown on their own resources and forced to give battle to the adverse elements then confronting them.

But they were of hardy stock, the kind that helped make and keep this Nation the world’s greatest and best, and they made their way toward the light led by the mother of indomitable will and aided by the children as the passing years brought them into the realm of useful toil.

Since then his mother, and all his brothers and his sister, have passed away after lives of usefulness and constructive effort, some attaining high official and business rank.



W. P. Boston



William P. Boland was nine years of age when he found employment in the iron and steel mills. The hard, but practical school of experience has been his alma mater and as he rose in successive stages he met the problems of life in a fair, square way. He distributed newspapers as a boy and took advantage of every opportunity to make the family treasury more suited to its varied needs. He entered the mercantile business with his uncle in 1885 and later took over the store himself. He entered the insurance business with his brother, the late C. G. Boland, and later opened an insurance agency himself which he still conducts.

Always desirous of affording the public the maximum of service at the least cost he became a part of the Columbia Construction Company, then the Warner-Quinlan group to bring the advantages of cheaper asphalt to the City of Scranton. The first pavement laid under these conditions was on Mulberry Street and this became a forerunner to better elements of public improvement in the breaking of the asphalt paving monopoly.

He was also the founder of the Lackawanna Telephone Company and personally secured 350 of the first thousand subscribers for the new company. In 1899 he organized the Peoples Coal Company and leased the property of the Oxford Coal Company. John A. Mears, Edward Robinson, C. G. Boland and James M. Boland were associated with him in this company. Two years later he sold his interests in this company to James L. Crawford and later purchased the Hillman Vein Coal Company of Wilkes-Barre.

Mr. Boland was the first person to definitely reclaim the culm or coal refuse banks in washeries here and formed the Johns Coal Company and Marian Coal Companies for that purpose in the Scranton district. Then he formed the Oxford Coal Company of Shenandoah and later turned his attention to the water supply division and organized the City Water Company.

He is the owner of 1,500 acres of land bordering on the Elmhurst Boulevard part of which is within the city limits of Scranton and on this property is a daily flow of about two and one-half million gallons of pure water, which, if impounded, would supply a considerable part of the City of Scranton. His efforts to secure a franchise was blocked repeatedly, but the water supply is available whenever the City Councils will permit the people here to take advantage of it.

Ever alert and with an energy that never abated he kept right on in the industrial field and the next move was to form the Mowrey Bar Slate Picker Company which manufactured a device to mechanically clean coal at the collieries. Then turning his attention to transportation he helped promote and build the Northern Electric Railroad which operates between Scranton and Binghamton. This serves a very productive territory for a stretch of over sixty miles.

Mr. Boland has always favored limited franchises. He opposed saddling public service company privileges on future generations. As a member of the Scranton City Planners he introduced many beneficial

changes into these procedures and now franchises here are no longer made perpetual but granted only for periods of from two to twenty years. Mr. Boland is an advocate of the elimination of all grade crossings and the merging of all the railroads that enter Scranton, for the purpose of securing a Union Station; thereby saving the transfers of travelers from one station to another. He has also been a strong advocate for a municipal golf course and an aviation landing field at Scranton.

He has continually urged the merging of utilities under proper regulation so as to eliminate expensive dual overhead cost and thus give cheaper service. He carried this line of suggestion to the Interstate Commerce Commission and was instrumental in having traffic conditions readjusted in many parts of the country, where vast public benefits resulted.

Along the same line of concentrated and intelligently directed effort he advocated the smaller council for Scranton and helped bring the city legislative assembly down to its present serviceable body of five from the hitherto unwieldy councilmanic group of sixty-three.

In the technique of transportation he is one of the best informed men in the United States. His knowledge of transportation was gained when as a boy he operated a Pony Express to deliver the Sunday newspapers between Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., when there were no Sunday trains between the above mentioned points. He has given invaluable service to Scranton in this relation by aiding in having the freight rates to tide water reduced and bringing about more satisfactory situations with respect to other charges.

These are some of the situations which have made and still make Mr. Boland one of Scranton's most useful citizens. Naturally those who found certain conditions operating to their advantages were loath to have the same disturbed. But public interests demanded the change and Mr. Boland braved the opposition of vested interests to do the things he believed to be to the advantage of Scranton and its people.

In this relation he is not to be considered a philanthropist or a needless meddler. He looks with the keener eye on the things that go to make community life. His analysis is generally correct. He advocates only what he believes to be right. Few who feel disposed to dispute these situations with him come into the open. He has many compatriots in different parts of the country whose minds tend in the same direction and who operate similarly. He claims no credit for viewing civic situations from the public service viewpoint; to him that is a plain, homely duty he never hopes to avoid.

While Mr. Boland is not a "joiner" in the accepted sense he is yet somewhat affiliated. He is a member of the Scranton Lodge of Elks, the Heptasophs, The Royal Arcanum, the Chamber of Commerce, Sportsman's League, Junger Mannerchor, Abington Golf Club, Irish-American Society, of which he is a past president, and the Pennsylvania member of the "Committee of 48," the outgrowth of the reform advances made

during the Roosevelt campaigns and is yet active in promoting National moves along these lines and numbers among his co-workers and friends in this division of effort many of the Nation's leading Statesmen, thinkers, publicists and editors.

He is a member of the St. Peters Cathedral Congregation and of the Cathedral Holy Name Society.

On January 8, 1902, Mr. Boland was united in marriage with Miss Lucy P. Osmond, the daughter of William and Amelia (Taubner) Osmond of Scranton, Pa. They have the following children: Marian, deceased; Lucy, married Carlon M. O'Malley, lives in Philadelphia; Dorothy, attends Simmons College, Boston, Mass.; Mary, attends Miss Illmans School, Philadelphia; William, Jr., attends Peddie School, Hightstown, N. J.; Ann, deceased, and John and James, both attending the public schools in Scranton, Pa.

Judge George W. Maxey, of Scranton, Pa., was born in Forest City, Susquehanna County, Pa., Feb. 14, 1878. His father, Benjamin Maxey, of Forest City, who died Sept. 14, 1922, was for many years State mining inspector of the First Inspection District of Pennsylvania, embracing the counties of Susquehanna, Wayne and Sullivan. His mother was Margaret (Evans) Maxey, who died April 11, 1914. Judge Maxey's ancestors on both sides of the family emigrated from Wales to America about a century ago. Judge Maxey's ancestors for several generations have been engaged in the coal mining business and he himself during his boyhood and young manhood filled various positions around the coal mines from doorboy to certified coal miner.

Judge Maxey prepared for college at Mansfield State Normal School, entered the University of Michigan in 1898, and graduated in 1902, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He studied law at the University of Pennsylvania. In both universities he won several honors and was elected to various college positions. Judge Maxey graduated from the Law Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1906. He was admitted to the bar on March 12, 1906, and he began the practice of law in Lackawanna County in partnership with Edwin C. Amerman.

In 1913 he became a candidate for district attorney, and after primary and election contests received the Republican nomination and was elected. He entered upon the duties of his office the first Monday in January, 1914. Four years later he was renominated and reelected to the same office. In 1919, in the middle of his second term as district attorney, he was elected judge of the Forty-fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania for a ten-year term and he entered on the duties of his office Jan. 5, 1920. He is now a judge of the Courts of Common Pleas, Oyer and Terminer and Quarter Sessions in the Forty-fifth Judicial District.

While Judge Maxey dispatches a large amount of work on the bench, he has still found time to take part in many civic movements for the

welfare of the community. He has been prominent in the Community Chest drives in Scranton, which annually raise over \$600,000 for charitable purposes, and is one of the trustees of the Community Chest Association, and is a director of the Hahnemann Hospital of Scranton.

Judge Maxey has frequently been honored by the Republican party. In 1920 he was chosen without opposition as a delegate to the Republican National Convention at Chicago, and in 1924 he was again chosen without opposition as a delegate to the Republican National Convention at Cleveland. In 1920 he was Pennsylvania's representative on the committee which conveyed formal notification at Northampton, Mass., to Calvin Coolidge of the latter's nomination for Vice-President, and in 1924 he was Pennsylvania's representative on the committee which conveyed formal notification at the White House to the same man of his nomination for President.

Judge Maxey was married, in 1916, in New York City, to Lillian Danvers, and they are the parents of three daughters: Mary, Dorothy, and Lillian Louise.

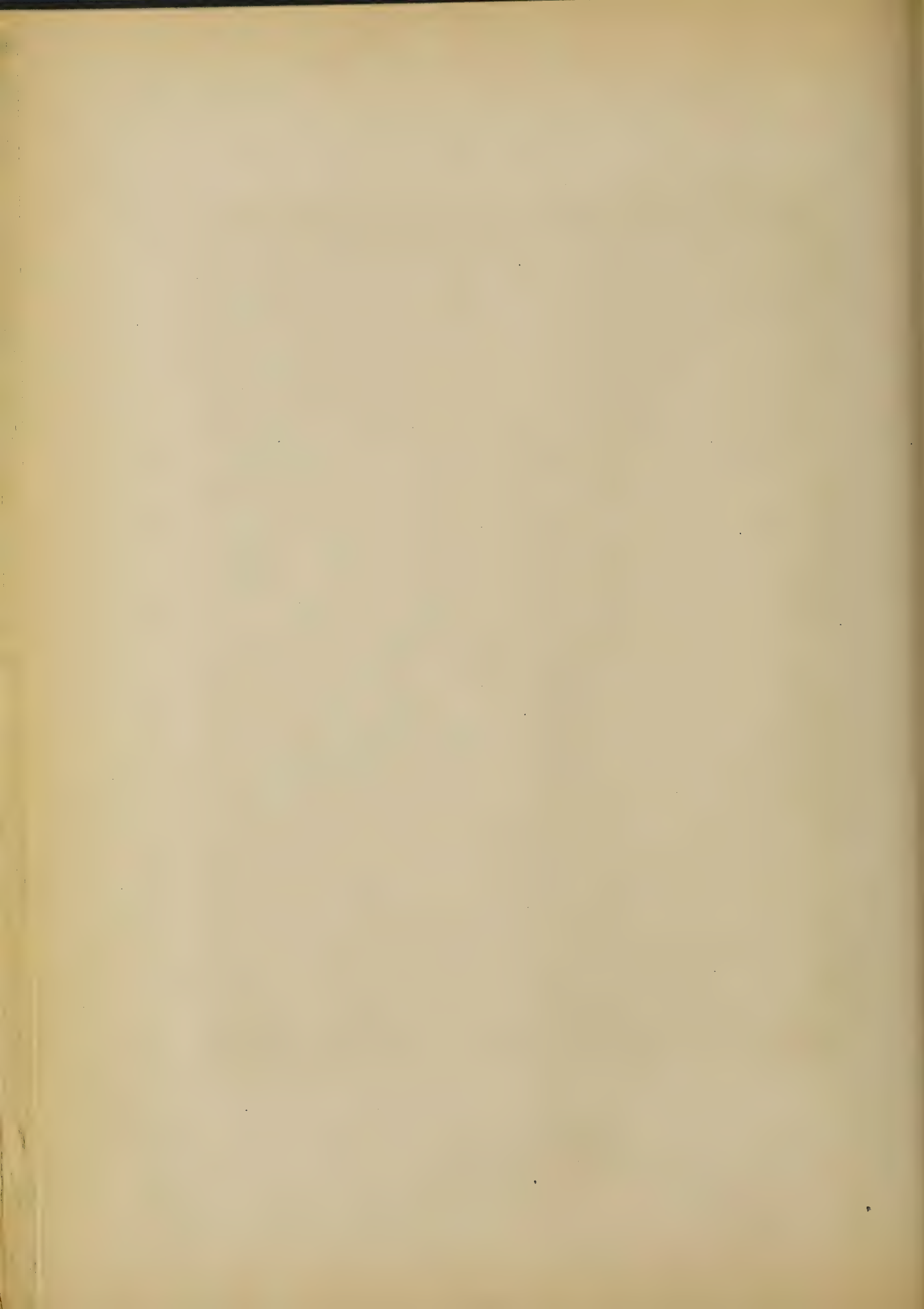
Willard M. Bunnell.—Prominent in the law and in solid business concerns, and a leader in progressive and worth-while movements along many lines at Scranton, Willard M. Bunnell is justly ranked with the city's men of affairs, and for many years has also been a prominent factor in Democratic politics in Lackawanna County.

Willard M. Bunnell was born in Dimock, Susquehanna County, Pa., Jan. 14, 1874, son of William and Mary J. (Maine) Bunnell, and a direct descendant of William Bunnell, who was one of the settlers of New Haven, Conn., in 1639. The old colonial name is a familiar one yet throughout New England, and often, with its sturdy American ideals, in other sections of the United States. The father of Mr. Bunnell was born in Susquehanna County, Pa., and died at Montrose in 1898. In earlier years a farmer and merchant, he later became widely known in journalism, as editor and proprietor of the "Montrose Record," the leading county newspaper.

After completing his course in the Montrose High School and the Keystone Academy, Willard M. Bunnell entered Bucknell University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1897, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, then studied law in the office of Willard, Warren & Knapp, and was admitted to the bar in 1899. In the same year he opened his law office at Scranton, where, as a general practitioner, he has an honorable and substantial reputation in his profession. He is a member of the Lackawanna County and the Pennsylvania State Bar associations. His good judgment and business sagacity have often been of great benefit to the city in connection with civic matters of public concern, but the only political office he has ever accepted was that of prothonotary of Lackawanna County, to which he was elected in 1905 and served until 1912.



Will R. Rouse



Aside from the law, Mr. Bunnell has numerous business interests, officially and otherwise being identified with a number of commercially important enterprises here. He was one of the organizers of the Anthracite Trust Company, which was founded in 1910, of which he was appointed trust officer, and second vice-president; since 1915 first vice-president; vice-president and director of the Inglis Furniture Company, and also of the East Park Land Company; treasurer of the Woodland Park Company; receiver for the Armstrong Water Company, and the receiver of the Blau Bank, of Scranton. The public confidence indicated by such connections was still further emphasized during the World War, when he was called on to serve as chairman for the city of Scranton of the third and fourth Liberty Loan drives, and as assistant manager of distribution of Liberty bonds for Lackawanna County for the Victory Loan drive, and as chairman of the Lackawanna County Red Cross war drive.

In political life Mr. Bunnell has always been a Democrat, and several times has been chairman of the Democratic County Committee. He is a member of Peter Williamson Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Coeur de Lion Commandery, Irem Temple Mystic Shrine, Knights Templar, and Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Elks, the Knights of Pythias, the Knights of the Mystic Chain, the Patriotic Order Sons of America, the Scranton Club, the Country Club of Scranton, and the Kiwanis Club, of which he was the first vice-president and the first attorney to join this organization here. He is a member also of the New England Society; a director of the Lackawanna County Bar Association, a member of the State and the American Bar Association.

Mr. Bunnell was married, Dec. 1, 1897, at Lewisburg, Pa., to Margaret Irene Walls, daughter of G. W. and Ventitia I. (Snyder) Walls, and great-granddaughter of Governor Simon Snyder, of Pennsylvania. The father of Mrs. Bunnell was the founder of the great mercantile house of Walls & Son. Mr. and Mrs. Bunnell have two sons: Walls Willard, born Jan. 3, 1902, a graduate of Lafayette College and at present in Yale Medical School; and Phil Wolfe, a graduate of Yale. Both sons were prominent in athletics in college. The younger was captain of the freshman and varsity swimming teams, quarterback and captain of the Yale Varsity football team and is now assistant coach of the 1927-28 team there. Mr. Bunnell and his family are members of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

George C. Nye. One of the prominent citizens and able bankers of Scranton is George C. Nye, who is vice president and cashier of the First National Bank. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., April 24, 1881, the son of Irvin W. and Susan (Apgar) Nye.

Irvin W. Nye was born at Laceyville, Pa. He spent his early life in Pennsylvania and later he located in Scranton, where he was with the Scranton Railway Company, being associated in this enterprise with

Horatio Pierce. Mr. Nye is deceased and is buried at Dunmore. His wife was born at Highbridge, N. J., and died Sept. 5, 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Nye had two sons: Rev. H. A., deceased, was pastor of the Peckville (Pa.) Presbyterian Church; and George C., the subject of this sketch.

George C. Nye received his early education in the public schools of Dunmore, later attending the School of the Lackawanna in Scranton. After leaving school he worked in the mines of the Green Ridge Coal Company under O. S. Johnson, and later was employed in the store. He began his banking career in 1901 as a clerk in the Lackawanna Trust Company, soon after being appointed assistant treasurer. On April 1, 1915, this bank was merged with the First National Bank of Scranton, and Mr. Nye was made assistant cashier. He was elected cashier Oct. 5, 1920, and in 1926 was made vice president.

In 1902 Mr. Nye was married to Miss Jane King, the daughter of Corydon C. and Mary (Field) King, of West Pittston, Pa. Mr. King is deceased, and his widow resides at West Pittston.

Mr. Nye is a Democrat and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Lackawanna Chapter, R. A. M. No. 185, Melita Commandery, K. T., No. 44, Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre, Irem Country Club, and Elks Lodge. He is also a member of the Country Club of Scranton, Fox Hill Country Club of Pittston, Scranton Club, and Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Nye is treasurer of the Scranton Chapter Boy Scouts of America, and is also treasurer of Hahnemann Hospital.

John Jermyn. The name Jermyn in Scranton, from the arrival of the founder of this family, in 1847, to the present time, 1928, is one so impressive that it might well have originated in the mind of a writer wishing to picture ideally the rewards of unremitting industry, scrupulous honesty and courageous self-confidence. These are the qualities that have contributed most to making the name of Jermyn a power in industry, business and finance in the State of Pennsylvania, and particularly in Scranton, where the foundation of the greatness of the family was laid and where numerous members of the family are prominently known. John Jermyn accumulated an estate of vast proportions, called his sons to his assistance in its management as they became ready to assume business responsibilities, and when the time came for him to relinquish the reins of power it was with the assured knowledge that his wishes were known, his plans sympathetically interpreted, and his vision caught by men in whose veins flowed his blood.

John Jermyn was born in Rendham, Suffolk, England, in 1825, and died in Scranton, Pa., May 29, 1902. Early in life he was compelled to earn his own livelihood, and feeling that he could best do this in the United States, he made his way to this country. He arrived in New York with no capital except the hope and enthusiasm of twenty years and the priceless heritage of a sturdy body, and learning that workmen were

wanted at Slocum's Hollow (Scranton), Pa., he journeyed to that place. For a time he did ordinary laboring work at a daily wage of 75 cents a day, and by frugal living accumulated a little capital, took small contracts, and later was able to negotiate larger operations. Ordinary laboring or contracting lost its properties when undertaken by Mr. Jermyn, and even in the discharge of the most humble commissions he showed such thoroughness and capability that he inspired trust and confidence which always brought further business. One of his earliest important contracts was the Diamond Mine, Mr. Jermyn making the first pick stroke on that later famous property. About 1854, Mr. Jermyn had become general manager of the coal lands of the New York and Pennsylvania Anthracite Coal Companies of Lackawanna County, near the Notch, and upon completion of the development of this property was subsequently in charge of the development of the White Oak, Archbald, Jermyn and Rockwell mines. His objective had always been independent operations, and to this end he had assiduously saved his earnings, so that in 1859 he arranged with Judson Clark the terms of an agreement to sink a slope and mine coal on property owned by Mr. Clark on the Abington Turnpike. On Mr. Clark's death, a few years later, Mr. Jermyn formed a company and leased the mines from the Clark estate, operating for three years as Jermyn, Wells & Company, then abandoning the mines. His following operation was one that marked the turning point of his career and that, at his accomplishment, placed him among the foremost men in the coal mining industry in the state. This was the leasing of the abandoned mines of the Gibson estate at Rusdale, now the thriving borough of Jermyn, a property that had been an absolute failure under other management and the acquisition of which made Mr. Jermyn the object of severe criticism on the part of his friends who had his welfare at heart, but he adhered to his original plan and was unshaken in his reliance upon his first judgment, which later events entirely vindicated. He bought new machinery, and in 1862 began work upon his first lease, which was for one million tons. This was increased to three million tons, and within a few years he had made delivery of all this amount, attaining a leading position among the operators of the valley. From that time until his death his life record is simply a story of one worthy achievement after another, each a monument to his business sagacity and wise foresight, and each a structure of profit and benefit to the Scranton district, for the principles along which he worked were constructive, and whenever a project brought gain to him it also brought employment and comfort to others.

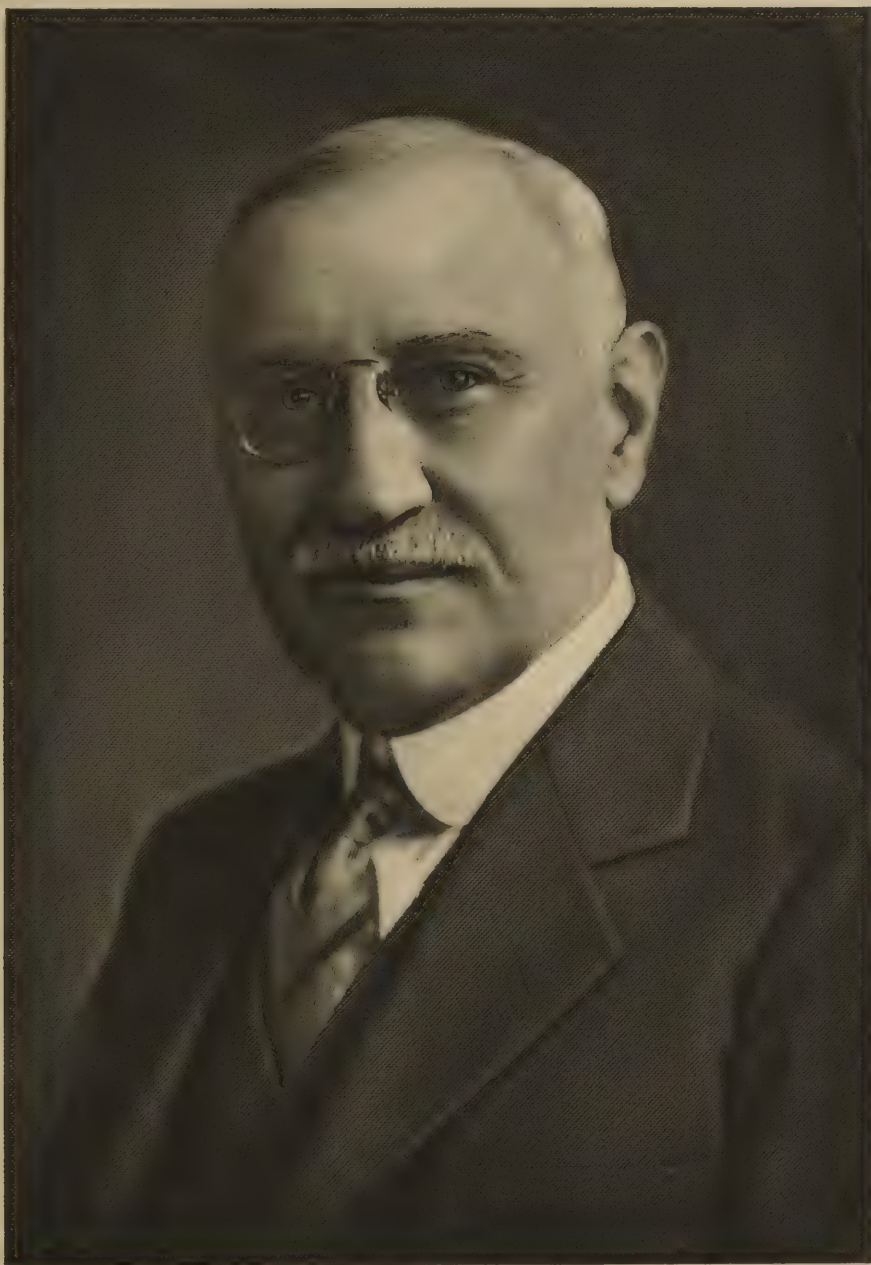
In 1880 Mr. Jermyn built the modern breaker at Rush Brook, near Peckville, and in the following year he leased the Price tract of 900 acres of coal land near Dickson, the present site of the borough of Priceburg. After disposing of his interest in Priceburg he began operations in Old Forge Borough, the town now named Rendham in honor of Mr. Jermyn's birthplace in England. The Rendham Collieries were opened by him in

1882 and in 1884 he came to Scranton, his home until his death, which occurred May 29, 1902. It was in the year 1885 he built the Coal Exchange Building, his first transaction in that line, and it was about this time that he was busiest in his efforts to bring the New York, Susquehanna & Western Railroad to Scranton. So determined was he to have this line of communication that he built the line and in 1886 accepted the general managership of the road. He continued his building operations, erected numerous buildings and residences, including his own residence at Jefferson Avenue and Vine, and in 1895 he built the Jermyn Hotel. He was a heavy stockholder and a director of the First National Bank, and in addition to those dealings he conducted under his own name, was frequently financially interested in enterprises of his friends, serving them in an advisory capacity. The estate that he accumulated during these strenuous years was valued at his death at seven million of dollars, a truly remarkable achievement, particularly when it is considered that he acquired this valuable estate in the open market, without alliance with privileged interest, and relying solely upon his own ability and judgment.

John Jermyn married, Oct. 19, 1851, Susan Knight, a daughter of Joseph Knight, of West Scranton, born in Lostwithal, Cornwall, England, June 12, 1833, died Jan. 17, 1906. To this union the following children were born: Joseph J., the president of the Traders National Bank; William C., died aged 19 years; Frank H., died aged 56 years; Myron, died aged 2 years; George B., whose sketch appears elsewhere; Emma, married D. W. Mears of Scranton; Walter M., resides in Oswego, N. Y.; Edmund B., whose sketch appears elsewhere; Susan, deceased, was the wife of R. A. Downey of Oswego, N. Y.; and Rollo G., whose sketch appears elsewhere.

J. George Hufnagel, president of the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company, is one of the most successful business men of Scranton, where he has had various business interests since 1892. He was born in New York in 1865 and is the son of Bernard and Freda (Fischer) Hufnagel.

Bernard Hufnagel, deceased, was a native of Germany. He was born at Steinau in 1834, and his wife was born in Baden. They emigrated to this country in 1858 and settled in New York City, where Mr. Hufnagel worked at his trade as a butcher. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted and served throughout the war period with Company A, 39th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry. He was discharged with the rank of captain. He then established the Washington Markets in New York City, which were composed of a group of wholesale meat dealers. After his retirement Mr. Hufnagel resided at Union City, N. J., until his death. His wife is also deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Hufnagel were born five children, as follows: Charles, deceased; J. George, the subject of this sketch; Bernard, lives at Union City, N. J.; William, lives at Union City, N. J.; and Mrs. Clara Menger, lives at Woodcliffe, N. Y.



George Hefnagel/

When he was a boy of 12 years J. George Hufnagel left school and became a messenger boy for the New York Exchange. His promotion was rapid and he was soon made a telegrapher. Later, he was promoted to manager of the Western Union Telegraph office in the sugar district and then transferred to the market district. He served with the Western Union Telegraph Company for 11 years and resigned to become a private operator for W. C. Humstone, superintendent of the Western Union. He later was private operator of Inspector Burns at police headquarters. In 1888 Mr. Hufnagel went to Binghamton, N. Y., and became interested in the brewery business with the Joseph Lauer Brewing Company. He came to Scranton in 1892 and purchased the controlling interest in the Dickson Brewing Company at Dickson City. In 1897 this company became part of the syndicate and Mr. Hufnagel served as manager. Four years later the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company closed the plant and he was transferred to the headquarters of the company in Scranton. In 1908 he was appointed manager of the bottling department of the E. Robinson Son's department of the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company, and on May 1, 1916, was made manager of the E. Robinson's Sons Brewing Company, by the executive board of the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company. Mr. Hufnagel was elected to his present office as president of Central Pennsylvania Brewing Company on Dec. 16, 1925.

On Nov. 24, 1891, Mr. Hufnagel was united in marriage with Miss Augusta Gutknecht, the daughter of J. G. Gutknecht, of Binghamton, N. Y. Mr. Gutknecht, deceased, was for many years the brewmaster for the Joseph Lauer Brewing Company at Binghamton, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Hufnagel have four daughters: Freida, married Dr. J. J. Lonsdorf, lives at Scranton; Olga, lives at home; Elinore, married E. R. McHugh, lives at Scranton; and Edna, at home.

Mr. Hufnagel has extensive business interests, and is well known as president of the Pilsener Brewing Company of Hazelton, Pa.; vice president of the Hazelton Syrup Company, of Hazelton, Pa.; former president of the Columbia Bottling Company; former president of the Dickson City Lumber Company; treasurer of the Imperial Birch Beer Company; and vice president of the First National Bank of Olyphant, Pa. He is affiliated with the Elks and Eagles, and is a member of the Scranton Press Club and Scranton Club. Mr. Hufnagel is held in high regard throughout the entire community and is an excellent citizen.

Francis Oscar Stone, county engineer, is a representative citizen of Scranton, and a member of one of the oldest and most honored pioneer families of Lackawanna County. He was born at Port Jervis, N. Y., Sept. 17, 1883, and is the son of Victor B. and Mary (Enslin) Stone.

Victor B. Stone, who lives retired in Scranton, is a native of Lackawanna County, and the son of Oscar Stone. The family is of New England extraction and the first member to locate in Lackawanna County

was Benoni Stone, who settled at Waverly during the very early days. He was a farmer and lived to be 95 years of age. Oscar Stone, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, lived at Hawley, Pa., for many years. He was a conductor on the old gravity road running between Pittston and Hawley, and after suffering serious injuries in a railroad accident, he was forced to give up the work. He died at the age of 45 years. He married Alvira L. Mitchel, of Wayne County, Pa., and to them five children were born: Victor B., John, Earl W., Sidney S., and Arthur K. Victor B. Stone was reared and educated at Hawley, and in early life was interested in the lumber business. Later he entered the employ of the Erie Railroad as a fireman and was afterward promoted to engineer. After 25 years as an engineer on the road he retired in 1888 and located in Scranton, where he lives at 1017 Wheeler Avenue. There are five children in the Stone family: Friend A.; Francis Oscar, the subject of this sketch, Mark V., May, and Madge.

Francis Oscar Stone was reared and educated in Scranton and is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College. He began his business career with the store department of the Erie Railroad and was later employed by M. P. Mitchell. In 1906 he was as an engineer to the surveyor of Lackawanna County and remained in that position until 1911, at which time he went with the engineering department of the Scranton Gas & Water Company. In 1912 he was elected county surveyor on the Republican ticket, and has continued to hold his position since that date.

On June 14, 1910, Mr. Stone was married to Miss Marian E. Swartz, the daughter of Frank E. and Emma Swartz, of Dunmore. Mr. Swartz is vice-president of the Fidelity Deposit & Discount Bank of Dunmore. Mr. and Mrs. Stone have a daughter, Eleanor Swartz Stone.

Mr. Stone has always been a Republican. He is an active member of the Rotary Club of Scranton.

John H. Brooks, senior partner of J. H. Brooks & Company, member of the New York Stock Exchange, is recognized as one of the prominent business men of Scranton. He was born in this city, Sept. 16, 1872, the son of Reese G. and Mary A. (Morgan) Brooks.

Reese G. Brooks, deceased, was for many years a leading business man and highly esteemed citizen of Scranton. He was born at East Mountain, near Scranton, Dec. 25, 1846, and died June 12, 1907. Mr. Brooks was educated in the Hyde Park School, Scranton, and was 16 years of age when he joined an emergency company to resist Lee's invasion in Pennsylvania during the Civil War. He was honorably discharged at the close of the war and returned to Scranton, where he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. Later he was identified with the Mt. Pleasant Coal Company for three years, and afterwards served as general superintendent of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company. In 1884 he organized the Greenwood Coal Company, of which he

served as president, and in 1892 he founded Langcliffe Coal Company, of which he also served as president. For several years Mr. Brooks was in control of the Lafflin Coal Company and the Lee Coal Company. He was one of the founders of the Bridge Coal Company, of which he served as president, and he was also a member of the firm of McClave, Brooks & Company, manufacturers of patent grates and blowers. He was president of the Dime Deposit and Discount Bank and served as director of the Scranton Trust Company, Title Guarantee & Surety Company, and West Side Bank. He was a Republican, active in local politics, and served as a member of the school board, poor board, and board of control, and also served as treasurer of the City of Scranton for seven years.

Reese G. Brooks married Miss Mary A. Morgan, the daughter of George Morgan. To this union were born four children: Margaret, married William R. McClave, Scranton; Thomas R., a banker, Scranton; George G., born Nov. 30, 1870, was graduated from Cornell University as a civil engineer in 1894, lives in Scranton; and John H., the subject of this sketch.

John H. Brooks was educated in the public schools of Scranton and attended School of the Lackawanna. He was graduated from Princeton University in 1895. He then became associated in his father's coal business and after a short time removed to Pottsville, Pa., where he was in charge of the Brooks interests in Schuylkill County, as superintendent of the Silverton Coal Company. In 1905 he returned to Scranton, where he became a member of the brokerage and banking firm of Megargle & Brooks, which has been known as J. H. Brooks & Company since 1906. The members of the firm originally were: Reese G. Brooks and his three sons. In the early years of its history the company specialized in coal and public utilities, and organized companies in various cities throughout the east. In 1908 J. H. Brooks & Company became a member of the New York Stock Exchange. Mr. Brooks is a director of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, Scranton, and the Girard Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, Glen Alden Coal Co.

Mr. Brooks is a member and trustee of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Scranton, president Boy Scouts of Scranton, trustee Scranton Public Library, director of Y. M. C. A., a trustee of the Y. W. C. A., past president of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce and holds membership in the Bankers Club of New York, the University Club of New York, Princeton Club of New York, Nassau Club, Country Club of Scranton, Wyoming Valley Country Club, Elk Hills Country Club, Westmoreland Country Club, Scranton Club and Springdale Golf Club.

While a student at Princeton University, Mr. Brooks was prominent in athletics and was a member of the varsity baseball, tennis and hockey teams. During his senior year he served as captain of the varsity baseball team, and for three years was chosen as a member of the All American Baseball Team. After leaving Princeton he gained national prominence as a golf player, being elected one year as a member of the All

American Golf Team. In 1914 he held the bowling record of the Scranton Club.

On April 5, 1904, Mr. Brooks was married to Miss Augusta Archbald, the daughter of James and Hanna M. (Albright) Archbald, of Scranton. They have four children: Ruth, Mary, John H. II, and James Archbald.

Michael T. Howley is among the most prominent and successful business men of Scranton, where he is identified with P. F. & M. T. Howley, Inc. He was born in this city, Dec. 17, 1866, and is the son of Michael and Mary (Brown) Howley.

His father, Michael Howley, deceased, was born in Ireland, as was his wife. They spent their early lives in County Mayo, and came to this country in the early forties, and settled in Scranton. Mr. Howley was later employed on the building of canals and railroads, and also worked in the coal mines of this section. He died in 1871. Mr. Howley was a member of St. Peters' Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Howley were born ten children, five of whom died in early childhood, leaving John; Anthony, Peter F., (mention of whom is made below), Eleanor and Michael T., the subject of this sketch.

Michael T. Howley spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his education in the public schools. Leaving high school, he learned the plumbers' trade and in 1891 entered into partnership in the plumbing business with his brothers, John and Peter F., the firm being known as Howley Brothers. This partnership continued until August, 1894, when the present firm of P. F. & M. T. Howley, was formed, and later, upon the death of Mr. Peter F. Howley, in 1920, the firm was incorporated with the following officers: Michael T. Howley, President and Treasurer; Peter F. Howley, First Vice President and Secretary; Stephen O'Connor, Second Vice President and General Superintendent. From a small beginning the business has had a steady growth, and is now one of the leading plumbing houses in the state.

Mr. Howley married Miss Mary I. Duffy, the daughter of Patrick F. Duffy, an old D. L. & W. R. R. conductor, and later Treasurer of Lackawanna County, and she died in 1906, leaving three sons: Peter F., Thomas J., and Maurice, who died in 1906.

Mr. Howley is a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Elks Lodge, and Catholic Club, Irish American Society, Country Club, Fox Hill Club and a director of the East Scranton Bank and Industrial Thrift and Loan Society, and past president of the Irish American Society, and a member of the Eagles.

Peter F. Howley, his brother and life long partner, was born in Scranton, June 17, 1864. He attended the public schools of this city and began his business career as a cash boy in the old Boston Store, and continued with Mr. R. M. Lindsay, in an executive position, until 1894, when he became identified with his brother in the plumbing business.



Michael J. Howley.



Mr. Peter Howley also married a Miss Mary Duffy, who died in 1903. They had no children. He was a member of the Catholic Choir for 48 years, the president of St. Vincent De Paul Society for twenty-five years and was the president of the Holy Name Society for 25 years.

Mr. Howley was a member of the Catholic Church, and both he and his brother were among the most substantial and excellent citizens of the community in which they live.

George G. Brooks, of J. H. Brooks & Company, investment bankers, stocks and bonds, at Scranton, is a native of that city, and has achieved in a comparatively brief career, many close and vital connections with the interests and activities that have been fundamental in the city's advancement and progress.

Mr. Brooks was born at Scranton, Nov. 13, 1870, son of Reece A. and Mary A. (Morgan) Brooks, both natives of Pennsylvania. His father was a very prominent man in Scranton, being a coal operator, and a business man whose influence has always been invested with some relation to the public welfare. He died in 1907, and his wife in 1900.

George G. Brooks was educated for the engineering profession. He attended public schools, the Wyoming Seminary and the Wyoming Commercial College, and in 1894 was graduated with the degree of Civil Engineer from Cornell University. During the following ten years he was connected in a technical and business way with a number of mining companies, being chief engineer of the Greenwood Mining Company, of the Laflin Company, of the Brooks Coal Company, the Lee Coal Company and numerous other mining concerns.

Mr. Brooks has been in the banking and brokerage business since 1905. His business was conducted as Brooks & Company until 1913, when the name was changed to J. H. Brooks & Company. The company has memberships upon the New York Stock Exchange, and is the largest concern of its kind in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Mr. Brooks also gives much of his time to the affairs of the United Service Corporation, of which he is vice-president and one of the founders. He is a director and vice-president of the McClave, Brooks Company, of the Paragon Plastic Company, of the International Text Book Company, and is a director of the First National Bank of Scranton, the Lackawanna Trust Company, the Scranton Lace Company, the Wyoming Steam Shovel Works, the Latrobe Water Company, the Monroe Water Company, United Service Corporation, Consumers Ice Co., International Text Book Publishing Company, and other business organizations. The ability with which he has directed his private affairs and his eminent public spirit have brought him many public and quasi-public responsibilities. He has served as a trustee of the State Hospital, trustee of the State Oral School, a director on the Scranton and Pennsylvania State Chambers of Commerce, and has had an active part in the Community Chest work. During the World

War he was general chairman for the Red Cross and United War drives for Lackawanna County and Northeastern Pennsylvania. A large part of the time during the war period was given up to the collecting of money and sale of liberty bonds. In one drive alone that he directed, a total of \$850,000 was raised. The government gave him a certificate in official recognition of his particular services.

Mr. Brooks is a Republican; a member of the Delta Phi college fraternity; the Scranton Club, and the Country Club of Scranton; the Blooming Grove Club; the Country Club of Waverly; Cornell Club of New York.

Mr. Brooks married in 1898, Grace B. Williams, of Scranton, Pa., daughter of James J. and Margaret A. (Simpson) Williams. Five children were born to their marriage: Elizabeth W., wife of Lieutenant M. R. Greer. Eleanor M., wife of Richard A. Robertson. James W., born in 1904. George G., Jr., born in 1908. Charles W., born in 1912.

Ira Mitchell, widely known in Scranton as the capable and efficient probation officer, is a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Hollisterville, Wayne County, Dec. 25, 1867, the son of Munsen J. and Frances (Hornbaker) Mitchell.

The Mitchell family is one of the oldest families of Pennsylvania, having come here during the early days from Connecticut. Their first place of settlement was at Salem, now Hamlin, where Jerris M. Mitchell engaged in the lumber business. He was one of the first mail carriers of that section. His son, Munsen J. Mitchell was born at Hollisterville, and in his youth was connected with his father's business. He became prominent as a manufacturer of handles and various commodities. He later removed to Scranton and engaged in the restaurant business on Franklin Avenue. He also conducted a restaurant on the site of the present hotel Linden. Before his retirement he removed to 320 Washington Avenue, where he also established a popular restaurant. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell are deceased and are buried at Hollisterville. She was a native of Madison Township, Lackawanna County. Mr. Mitchell served throughout the Civil War and was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a Republican and a member of the Christian Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were born two children: Varna, married Arthur W. Long, civil engineer lives at 1727 Jefferson Avenue Dunmore; and Ira, the subject of this sketch.

Ira Mitchell spent his boyhood at Hollisterville and was educated in the public schools. He also attended normal school and Ayers private school. He was employed in his father's factory and when the family removed to Scranton he became interested in the restaurant business also. At the time of his father's retirement Mr. Mitchell assumed his business interests. In the meantime he was elected constable of the Ninth Ward, Scranton, and served in that capacity for 16 years. He also served for

eight years as county detective under District Attorney George W. Maxey, who is now Judge. On Feb. 1, 1922, Mr. Mitchell was appointed to his present position as probation officer by the judges of Lackawanna County.

Mr. Mitchell married Miss Margaret Wesby, the daughter of George Wesby, a native of England, and an early settler of Taylor, Pa. He died in April, 1926. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell have two children: Buel W., mail carrier, Taylor, Pa., married Miss Spangenberg; and Marguerite, married M. Shock, lives in Florida.

Mr. Mitchell has always been a Republican. He is affiliated with Green Ridge Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 597, P. O. S. of America, and Y. M. C. A.

Anna Calista Clark. In the course of a general medical practice that she has established by her own ability in Scranton, Dr. Clark has entered upon the duties of a very broad service to her community both in medicine and in surgery. She has engaged in the practice of her profession in this city continuously since 1893, and maintains offices at 320 Jefferson Avenue. Dr. Clark was born in Tioga County, Pa., April 30, 1869, the daughter of David Arvine and Martha (Lockwood) Clark.

David Arvine Clark was born at Sidney, N. Y., March 7, 1821, and died in 1893. Throughout his career he engaged in general farming in Tioga County, Pa. He was the son of Arvine Clark, after whom the Clark coal vein in Lackawanna was named. He was well known as a lumberman and through the Lackawanna Valley. Martha (Lockwood) Clark was born in Cayuga County, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1825, and died in 1900. Both parents were members of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Clark had five children: John, deceased; Sarah, for many years a teacher in the Scranton public schools, now lives retired; Milburn Arvine, deceased; Mary E., a trained nurse; and Anna Calista, the subject of this sketch. Sarah F., Mary E., and Anna Calista Clark make their home together in this city.

Anna Calista Clark attended the district schools of Tioga County and Athens, Pa. She took a preparatory medical course at Waverly, N. Y., and in 1888 entered the Medical School of the University of Michigan, graduating with the class of 1890, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. After graduating Dr. Clark served one year as interne at the University Homeopathic Hospital, and in 1891 located at Allentown, Pa. In 1893 she came to Scranton, where she has established an excellent practice.

Dr. Clark is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, the Homeopathic Society of Lackawanna County, the Homeopathic Medical Society of Pennsylvania; and the American Institute of Homeopathy. She is a Republican in politics and was prominent in the introduction of women's suffrage in Scranton, being a co-worker with Mrs. Maxwell Chapman. She is also County Chairman of the League of Women Voters, a charter member of the College Club, of which she served as president for

two years, and a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, and the Y. W. C. A. She holds membership in the Methodist Church.

During the World War Dr. Clark was active in Red Cross work and was in charge of the Red Cross Hospital in Scranton during the influenza epidemic, having over 700 patients in her care.

Thomas F. Quinn is a leading citizen of Scranton and prominent business man of Avoca, where he is secretary and treasurer of the Quinn Coal Company. He was born in County Mayo, Ireland, Nov. 21, 1875, and is the son of Thomas and Mary (Mellody) Quinn.

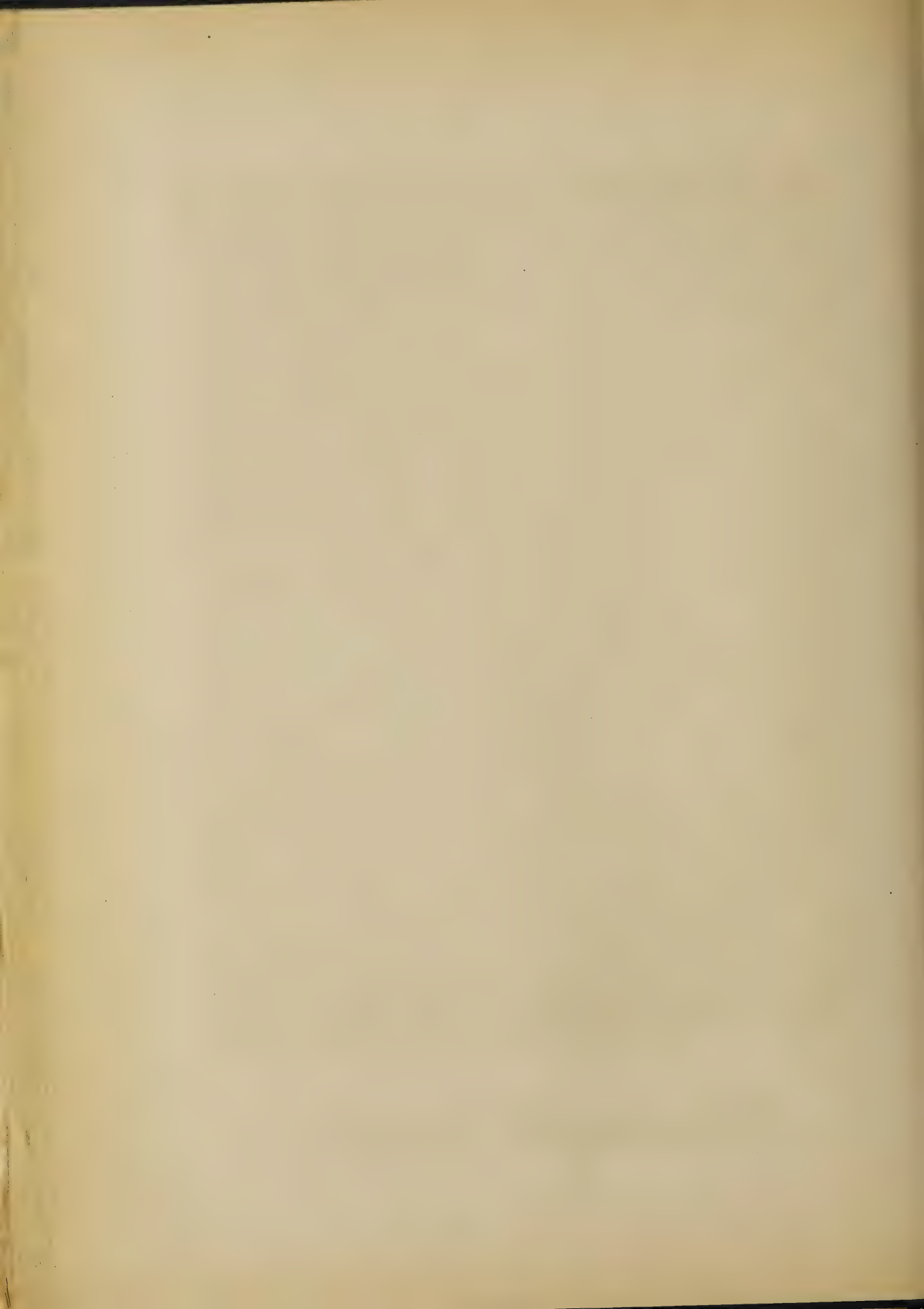
Thomas Quinn, deceased, was a native of Ireland and an early settler of Scranton. During his early life he was a farmer in Ireland and in 1872, after his arrival in this country, he followed mining. In December, 1874, he returned to Ireland and remained there for six years. He located again in Scranton in 1880 and four years later his wife and family came to this city from Ireland. Mr. Quinn was living retired at the time of his death. His wife is also deceased and they are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Hyde Park, Scranton. Mr. Quinn was a member of the Catholic church and a Democrat in politics. To Mr. and Mrs. Quinn the following children were born: Bridget, married John McKenna, lives at Dunmore, Pa.; Michael, deceased; Mary, deceased, was the wife of Martin Fogerty; Martin, and John, both died in infancy; Annie, married Mike Scanlon, lives in Scranton; Thomas F., the subject of this sketch; Kathryn, married James Moore, lives at Dunmore, Pa.; and one child died in infancy.

Thomas F. Quinn grew up in Scranton and when a small boy went to work in the coal mines of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company as a breaker boy. He later worked for the Johnson Coal Company as a miner and in 1902 purchased a parcel of coal land from Carl and Gibbons at Mountain Lake, organizing the Mountain Lake Coal Company. He served as secretary and treasurer of this concern until 1908, at which time he purchased the Minooka Coal Company at Minooka, Pa. This company was incorporated and he became secretary and treasurer. In 1912 he disposed of his interests and two years later founded the Quinn Coal Company of Dunmore. In 1916 he purchased a mine at Pittston, which he sold in 1927. In 1922 Mr. Quinn purchased the Consol Breaker at Avoca, Pa., and still operates that mine. In that year the company was incorporated as the Quinn Coal Company with Mr. Quinn as secretary and treasurer. He is also a director of the Anthracite Coal Company.

In 1900 Mr. Quinn was married to Miss Mary Jordan, the daughter of Henry and Catherine (Hart) Jordan, natives of Ireland and early settlers of Scranton. Both are now deceased. Mrs. Quinn died a number of years ago, and on July 30, 1925, Mr. Quinn married Miss Harriet Shea, the daughter of Daniel and Bridget (Jordan) Shea, the former a native of



Thomas G. Quinn



Ireland and the latter of Scranton. Mr. Shea died March 28, 1901, and his wife died March 21, 1924. They are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Shea were the parents of three children: Mary, a teacher, lives in Scranton; Harriet Quinn; and Daniel, deceased.

Mr. Quinn is a Democrat, a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, Elks lodge, Irish-American Society, and Holy Name Society. He is a director of Mercy Hospital and has a wide circle of friends throughout Lackawanna County.

Malcolm MacMillan, enterprising and well known druggist of Scranton, is a native of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dunmore, July 21, 1892, the son of Lindsay G. and Margaret (Skeoch) MacMillan.

Lindsay G. MacMillan, deceased, was a native of Glasgow, Scotland, and his wife was also born there. He was a machinist by trade. He was employed for many years by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad and later by the Erie Railroad Company. He lived in Scranton for some time and afterward removed to Dunmore, where he died in 1912. Mr. MacMillan was a member of the Dunmore Presbyterian Church, Caledonia Club, and Knights of Pythias. He was a well educated man and highly esteemed in the community. His widow lives in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. MacMillan had two children: Malcolm, the subject of this sketch; and Mary, married C. J. Westcott, who is assistant superintendent of the Pennsylvania Colliers No. 5. They live at Dunmore. Mr. and Mrs. Westcott have a son, Charles J., Jr., born in August, 1927.

Malcolm MacMillan spent his boyhood in Dunmore where he attended the public schools. He was employed in the drug store of Frank H. Beavers, and later worked in Scranton. In 1909 he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, but the following year resigned his position in order to enter Columbia University, from which he was graduated in 1912, with the degree of Ph. D. Upon his return to Scranton he purchased the Hillside Pharmacy, in partnership with an uncle, Robert Skeoch. Mr. MacMillan disposed of his interest in this store in 1917 and established his present business at 148 Adams Avenue. It is among the finest drug stores in the city and one of the largest, but Mr. MacMillan prefers to have it referred to merely as "a good drug store."

In 1913 Mr. MacMillan was married to Miss Helen C. Klein, the daughter of Jacob and Mary (Scholl) Klein, of Scranton. They have a son, Malcolm L. K., born Oct. 12, 1914.

Politically Mr. MacMillan is a Republican, a member of the Dunmore Presbyterian Church, and belongs to Peter Williamson Lodge No. 323; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; Irem Temple, Wilkes Barre; Irem Country Club; B. P. O. Elks, No. 123; P. O. S. of America; Kiwanis Club; Phi Delta Chi fraternity; and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania State Pharmacuetical Association.

Frank H. Connell. One of the prominent business men of Scranton is Frank H. Connell, who is general agent of the Loyal Indemnity Company. He was born in Scranton, Nov. 15, 1862, and is a son of William P., and Alida Van Buren (Hurd) Connell.

William P. Connell, deceased, was a representative citizen of Scranton for many years. He located here in 1855 and engaged in the hardware business in partnership with Henry B. Rockwell. Mr. Connell died in 1899 at the age of 66 years. He was a Republican and served as a member of the city council. He held membership in the First Presbyterian Church and was a 32nd degree Mason. His wife, who was born at Kinderhook, N. Y., is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Connell had two sons, Frederick, who died in 1910, was for many years a leading attorney of Scranton; and Frank H., the subject of this sketch.

Frank H. Connell acquired his early education in the public schools of Scranton and later attended Kingston Academy and Lawrenceville Preparatory School. For a short time he was associated with his father's business and later became secretary and treasurer of the Seybolt Milling Company, with which concern he was identified with for several years. He then went with the Pennsylvania Casualty Company, which was later merged with the Massachusetts Bonding Company and is also general agent for the Loyal Indemnity Company. Mr. Connell is now general agent of this concern, with offices in the Brooks Building at Spruce and Washington streets.

Mr. Connell married Miss Frances S. Seybolt of Scranton, the daughter of Calvin and Helen (White) Seybolt. They have a daughter, Helen, who is the wife of H. L. Platt, of Greenwich, Conn. They have two children, Giddon and Helen.

Mr. Connell is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church of Scranton and belongs to the Scranton Club.

George A. Clark, M. D., Pathologist and Internist with offices in the Connell Building, Scranton, was born in Holyoke, Mass., Feb. 16, 1891. He was early left without parents. He is the son of George A. and Ellen (Dibble) Clark, natives of Massachusetts.

George A. Clark was a paper manufacturer in New England and for many years was treasurer of the Newton Paper Company. He was a descendant of Jonas G. Clark, founder of Clark College-Institute, Worcester, Mass.

After being graduated at Hamilton College with the degree of B. S., George A. Clark entered Johns Hopkins Medical College, where he was given the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1917. In his undergraduate days Dr. Clark's interest in research work prompted the study and preparation of a paper on Hemorrhagic Pancreatitis. This monograph was quoted in Oxford Medicine. After graduation two years were spent on the resident

staff of Roosevelt Hospital, New York. He saw service during the World War at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, where he experienced a large service under Dr. Chickering of the Rockefeller Institute, as a result of which he published a monograph on 1400 cases of pneumonia which was read before the Medical Society of the State of South Carolina. Two papers have also been read before the Pennsylvania State Society, one on "Physiologic Considerations of Nephritis," and the other on "Spirochetal Infections of the Lungs, with Special Reference to Dark Field Examinations."

Dr. Clark served as pathologist at the Danvers Insane Asylum at Salem, Mass., as pathologist in the Eastern Maine General Hospital at Bangor, Me., and is at present pathologist to the Mercy, St. Mary Keller Memorial, and St. Joseph's Foundling Home and Maternity Hospital. He is a member of the Sigma Phi and Nu Sigma Nu fraternities. For two years he was instructor in Medicine at the New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital. He came to Scranton in 1919. Previous to 1926 he was secretary of the Lackawanna County Medical Society for three years and served as president of that organization during the year 1926. The selection of Dr. Clark was largely due to the appreciation by the membership of work by one who gave his time and talents in behalf of the society.

On April 2, 1918, Dr. Clark married Miss Jacqueline Ogier d'Ivry, the daughter of Count and Countess Raoul Ogier d'Ivry, of LeMans, France.

Dr. Clark is a Republican, a member of the Second Congregational Church of Holyoke, Mass., and belongs to the Scranton Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is also an active member of the Rotary Club. Dr. Clark was appointed in 1926 a member of the committee on public relations, for the medical society of the state of Pennsylvania, his office as such expires 1929.

Eugene A. Curtin, M. D., specialist in the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, was born at Williamsport, Pa., Sept. 2, 1889, and is a son of Timothy and Catherine (Garvey) Curtin.

Timothy Curtin, deceased, was a leading merchant of Williamsport for many years. His widow resides at Dunmore, Pa.

Eugene A. Curtin was graduated from Dunmore High School. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Georgetown University in 1913. The following year was spent in interne work at Georgetown University, which was followed by a year as a member of the staff of St. Francis Hospital, Jersey City. Dr. Curtin then engaged in practice at Dunmore for one year, and in 1917, enlisted for service in the World War. He was attached to the British Army and served in France as captain of the Medical Corps, Second British Division. He was discharged

in May, 1919, and spent the following two years in post graduate work in New York. Since 1921 he has been located at Scranton, with offices in the Connell Building.

On May 16, 1925, Dr. Curtin married Miss Katharine Megargee, of Scranton, the daughter of Frank O. and Catherine (Haggerty) Megargee. Mr. Megargee is deceased and his widow lives at 1600 Jefferson Avenue, Dunmore. Mrs. Curtin is a graduate of Trinity College, Washington, D. C. Dr. and Mrs. Curtin have a daughter, Frances, born Aug. 10, 1926.

Dr. Curtin is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, American Medical Association, Academy of Oto 'Laryngology and American College of Surgeons. He is a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Dunmore, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

Duncan Turner Campbell.—One of the prominent business men and leading citizens of Scranton is Duncan Turner Campbell, who is president and general manager of the Scranton Electric Company. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 7, 1875, and is the son of Alexander and Helen (Turner) Campbell.

The deeds of the Campbells fill many pages of Scottish history and reveal a clan loyal to their king and strong in his defense.

Both Alexander Campbell and his wife spent their entire lives in Scotland and are now deceased.

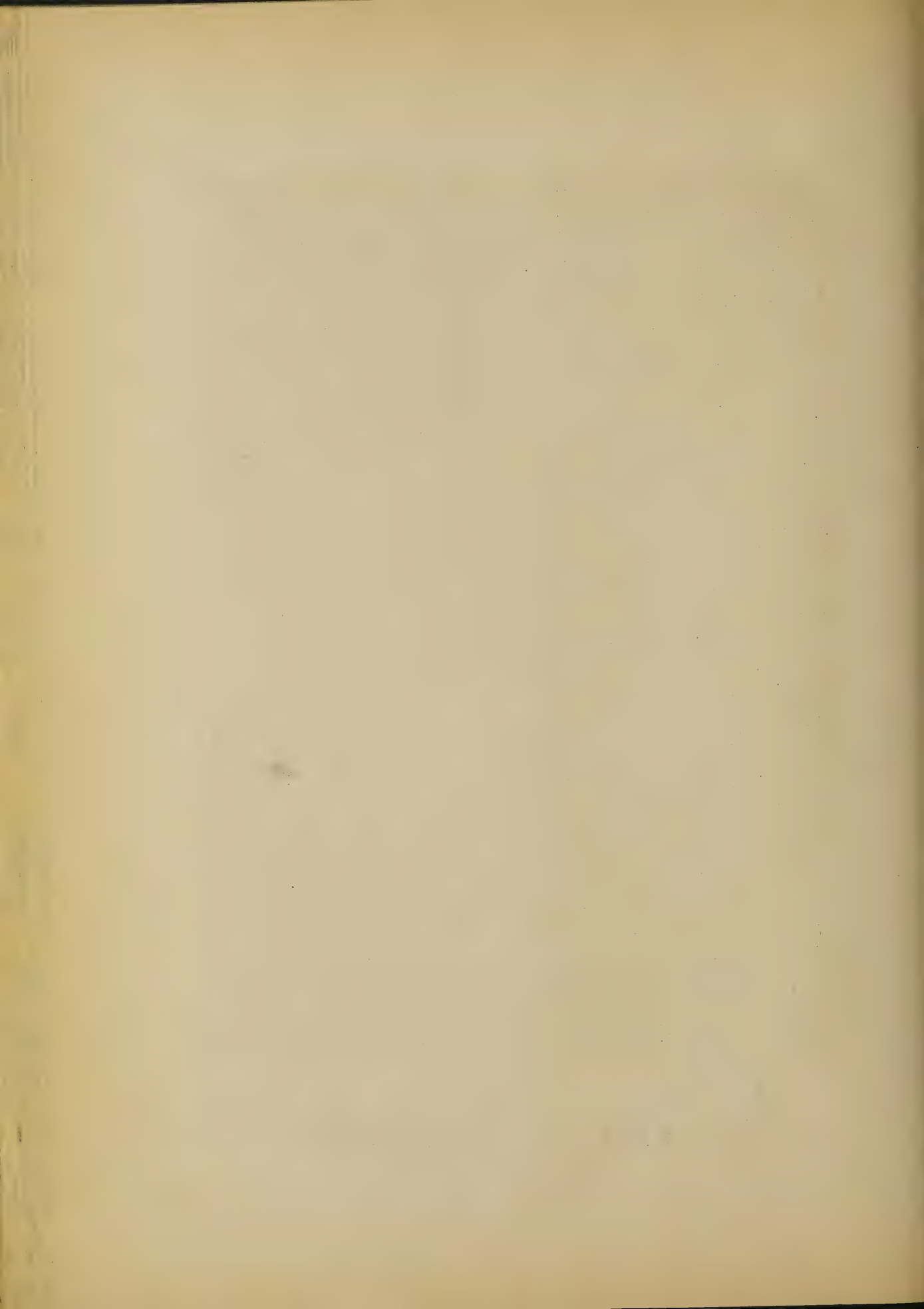
Duncan Turner Campbell was educated in the public schools of Glasgow and began his business career there with a concern that engaged in export business in the East Indies. In 1896 Mr. Campbell came to the United States and located in New York City, where he engaged in business. Later, he went to Denver, Col., on account of poor health, and while there became interested in electrical work. In 1907 the American Gas & Electric Company appointed him manager of the Scranton Electric Company, one of their subsidiary companies. Later, Mr. Campbell was made general manager and finally vice president of this well known firm. He was unusually successful in his efforts and expanded the company's work throughout the entire valley.

Mr. Campbell was married to Mrs. Helen (Stevens) Hurlbut, the daughter of Samuel Stevens, and sister of Walter P. Stevens, who is president of the Scranton Life Insurance Company. Mrs. Campbell died March 6, 1927, and is buried in Dunmore Cemetery, Scranton. By a former marriage Mrs. Campbell had two sons, John and Charles Hurlbut.

Mr. Campbell is a member of the Scranton Club, Scranton Bicycle Club, Country Club, and Bloominggrove Hunting & Fishing Club. He is affiliated with F. & A. M., No. 323; Lackawanna Chapter, No. 185, R. A. M.; Coeur de Lion Commandery, K. T., No. 17; Keystone Consistory, 32nd degree; Irem Temple; and the League of Masonic Clubs. He also belongs to the Elks lodge.



Samuel T. Sampson



E. W. Falck. Numbered among the able young business men of Scranton is E. W. Falck, who is district manager of the Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip Company, with offices in the Bliss Davis Building. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 12, 1890, the son of Edward W. and Catherine (Morgan) Falck.

Edward W. Falck was born in Pittsburgh in 1872. In early life he was well known in that city as a landscape architect. He then spent a number of years in Florida and in 1907 returned to Pennsylvania. He engaged in general contracting work and built the first paved road at Ambridge, which town was named for the American Bridge Company. Mr. Falck became wealthy and at the time of his death in 1925 left an estate of over \$500,000. His first wife, Catherine Morgan, died in 1890. He was married seven years later to Miss Anna Macalvain, of Allegheny County, Pa. She now resides at Leetsdale, Pa. Mr. Falck's only child was E. W., the subject of this sketch.

When his school days were ended, E. W. Falck entered the employ of the Walk Over Shoe Company, Pittsburgh, as a clerk. In 1913 he was transferred to Scranton as assistant manager of the first exclusive Walk Over shop in this city. In 1918 he engaged in the confectionery business at Mulberry and Irving streets, and six years later became associated with the Chamberlain Weather Strip Company as their local representative. He is now district sales-manager in charge of five counties in Pennsylvania. General offices of the company are at Detroit, Mich.

On June 18, 1913, Mr. Falck was united in marriage with Miss Anna M. Bailey, of Clarks Summit, Pa., the daughter of Herbert and Jennie (Morgans) Bailey. Mr. Bailey, deceased, was a well known farmer of Lackawanna County. His widow later married L. E. Jennings, and resides at Clarks Summit. To Mr. and Mrs. Falck have been born two children, Jane and Edward.

Mr. Falck is a member of the Lutheran Church and belongs to the Masonic and Elk Lodges. He is a Republican.

Dr. Thomas F. O'Boyle is among the successful dentists and prominent young men of Scranton. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., July 4, 1896, and is a son of Michael and Kathryn (McNamara) O'Boyle.

Michael O'Boyle, retired, is a native of Ireland, born in 1871. He was a year old when his parents emigrated to the United States and settled in Pennsylvania. Mr. O'Boyle lives at Dunmore, where he has spent practically his entire life. His wife was born at Pittston, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. O'Boyle have three children: Dr. Leo J., dentist, lives at Dunmore; Thomas F., the subject of this sketch; and Agnes, a teacher in Dunmore High School.

Thomas F. O'Boyle secured his early education in the public schools of Dunmore, being graduated from Dunmore High School in 1916. He then entered the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated from the

Dental School of that institution in 1919. Dr. O'Boyle engaged in practice at Dunmore until March, 1927, at which time he removed to Scranton. He already has a well established practice in this city, with offices at 240 Adams Avenue.

Dr. O'Boyle served as a member of the Pennsylvania State Legislature during the session of 1923, and was instrumental in the passage of several important bills during that year, including the paving of the state highway between Elmhurst and Hollisterville. Dr. O'Boyle is a Democrat.

On May 16, 1924, Dr. O'Boyle was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Casey, of Carbondale, a daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Haggerty) Casey, both deceased.

Dr. O'Boyle is identified with the Scranton, Pennsylvania State, and American Dental Societies. He is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, The Dunmore, Business and Professional Mens Club and Elks Lodge.

Samuel John Castles. Among the substantial and well known citizens of Scranton is Samuel John Castles, who is serving as deputy sheriff of Lackawanna County. He was born at Lurgan, County Armagh, Ireland, Aug. 20, 1880, the son of John and Elizabeth (MacCawley) Castles.

Both John Castles and his wife were natives of Ireland. They emigrated to the United States in 1885 and settled in Scranton, where Mr. Castles was employed for many years by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He died Jan. 19, 1909, at the age of 56 years. His widow lives in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Castles the following children were born: Samuel J., the subject of this sketch; Isabella, married Louis Hall; Wesley; Edna, married Edward Hartmen; Stanley; Elwood and Sheldon. All reside in Scranton.

Samuel John Castles began life as a newsboy on the streets of Scranton. He attended the public schools of this city until he was 14 years old, and at that time entered the employ of the Barber Asphalt Paving Company, with whom he remained until 1911. He then engaged in the real estate business in partnership with W. F. Vaughan, and in 1915 became a member of the firm of Saul & Castles, realtors. In 1918 Mr. Castles accepted the position as manager of the Elks Club, Scranton, and served in that capacity until March 1, 1919, when he was appointed deputy sheriff under Sheriff J. F. Schlager. On Sept. 1, 1921, he was made collector of state and county taxes for the city of Scranton, but in January, 1926, again accepted the office of deputy sheriff under Sheriff Schlager to Jan. 2, 1928 and reappointed to the same office in 1928 by Sheriff Grover C. Davis.

On March 23, 1904, Mr. Castles was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Oppen, of Scranton, the daughter of Conrad and Mary Oppen. The former is deceased and the latter lives in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Castles have been born six children, as follows: Samuel Sheldon, mar-

ried Margaret Davis, lives in Scranton; Catherine, a graduate of Central High School and Bloomsburg State Normal School, now a teacher in the Scranton public schools; Dorothy, Clayton, Lelia, and Grace, all at home.

Mr. Castles is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is past exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge of Scranton and also belongs to the Tall Cedars of Lebanon and South Side Republican Club.

John B. Rees, who is successfully engaged in the real estate and insurance business in Scranton, is a native of this city. He was born March 14, 1867, the son of Benjamin and Louise (Willis) Rees.

Benjamin Rees was born in Wales, Sept. 29, 1848. He came to the United States in 1861 and spent the remainder of his life in Scranton, where he worked in the coal mines. He was superintendent of the John Jermyn Mining Company for a number of years, and was killed in the Greenwood Mine, May 8, 1883. His wife, who was born at Cardiff, Wales, March 2, 1836, died May 9, 1924. To Mr. and Mrs. Rees the following children were born: Mrs. William Slocum, lives at Rendham, Pa.; R. Willis, deceased, was superintendent of the Hillside Home, Clarks Summit, and superintendent of the Elliott McClure Coal Company; Mrs. W. N. White, lives at Forty Fort, Pa.; John B., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. W. W. Evans, lives at Bloomsburg, Pa.; and Gertrude, married Ray Hartman, lives at Berwick, Pa.

John B. Rees was forced to leave high school at the time of his father's death. He learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for five years, and then was employed as a coal weigher by the Jermyn Coal Company, and the Elliott McClure Coal Company. In 1914 Mr. Rees was appointed chief clerk in the prothonotary's office, and served in that capacity until 1926. He also served as tax collector of Taylor Borough from 1906 until 1914. He has been interested in the real estate and insurance business in Scranton since 1926 and is associated with John B. Griffith. Mr. Rees is a director of the Taylor Discount & Deposit Bank, of Taylor, Pa., having been identified with this institution since 1909.

On Oct. 19, 1893, Mr. Rees was united in marriage with Miss Mary Jane Davis, of Taylor, Pa., the daughter of John E. and Ann (Richards) Davis, natives of Wales. Mr. Davis, who died in 1902, was a well known undertaker of Scranton. His widow died in 1910. Mr. and Mrs. Rees have four children: Anna Louise, married Russell Williams, lives at Sugar Notch, Pa.; Ada, married Dr. E. E. Edwards, physician, lives at Taylor, Pa.; John B., Jr., and Theodore D., both at home.

Mr. Rees is a Republican and served as a member of the Taylor Borough school board for six years. He is an active member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge. He and his family have a wide acquaintance in the community, where they have always lived.

Henry Belin, Jr., deceased, was for many years one of the leading figures in the industrial and business life of Scranton. He was born at West Point, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1843, and is the son of Henry and Isabella (d'Andelot) Belin.

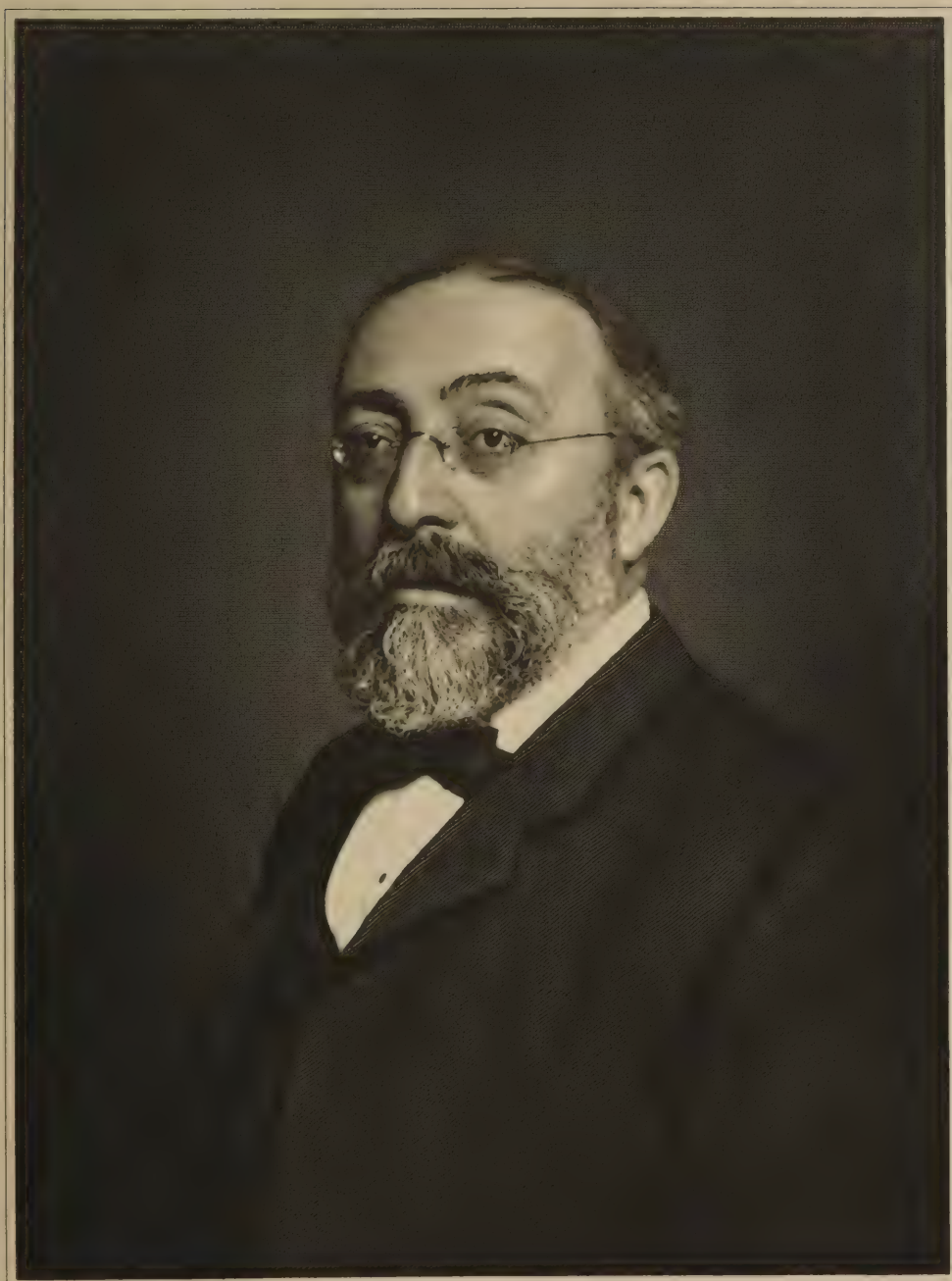
Henry Belin, Sr., was a graduate of West Point Academy and was one of the topographical engineers employed by the government to make a survey of the Maine and Canadian boundary lines, which was a notable undertaking at that time. The Belin family is of French origin. John Belin, grandfather of Henry, was a planter on the island of San Domingo, West Indies, and his son, Augustin, was driven out by the French uprising of 1791. He came to the United States and engaged in business in Philadelphia, but later removed to Wilmington, Del., where he spent the remainder of his life. He was the first member of the Belin family to become identified with the DuPont powder interests.

Henry Belin, Jr., was educated at Hopkins school in New Haven, Conn., and subsequently entered Yale University, from which he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1863, and later his Master's degree. He immediately went to Wilmington, Del., and entered upon his 54 uninterrupted years of service with the DuPont Company. In 1869 Mr. Belin came to Scranton and took charge of the DuPont business in the anthracite region, the great anthracite development being still in its infancy. Mr. Belin was prominent in the first 50 years of the life of the city of Scranton, whether viewed from the standpoint of the development of the industrial and financial interests of the city or from the standpoint of the development of those educational and philanthropic needs that press upon every growing community; needs which can rarely be met without the interest and unfaltering aid of farseeing and generously disposed citizens.

In the fields of finance and industry Mr. Belin was identified with the First National Bank; was a director and secretary of the Lackawanna Trust Company since its incorporation in 1887; was president and a director of the Wyoming Shovel Works; was vice president and a director of the Scranton Lace Company; was a director of the Cherry River Boom & Lumber Company; was a director of the Cherry River Paper Company; was a director of the Hebard Cypress Company; was a director of the Klots Throwing Company; was trustee and treasurer of the Scranton Public Library; was president of the Pennsylvania State Oral School for the Deaf, an institution which owed its existence largely to his initiative and constant interest; was a member of the Finance Committee of Hahne-mann Hospital; and a member of the Pennsylvania Free Library Commission.

Mr. Belin was married to Miss Margaretta Lammot, the daughter of Ferdinand Lammot. To them were born nine children: Mary, Isabella, Alice, Henry, Paul, Charles, Lammot, Margaretta, and G. d'Andelot.

Mr. Belin died Dec. 25, 1917. At the time of his death he was widely known throughout Pennsylvania as president and director of the E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Company, of Pennsylvania, and a director of the



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E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Company of Delaware. He was a trustee of the Second Presbyterian Church. For many years Mr. Belin was actively identified with the National Guard of Pennsylvania, having served for two years in the 13th Regiment, and one year on the staff of Brig. Gen. Siegfried.

On the many important but more or less temporary organizations inaugurated for the expansion and development of community life, there were none upon which the name of Mr. Belin was not enrolled, once the aim and purpose thereof had met the approval of his sound yet generous judgment. Mr. Belin's support was clearly demonstrated in the founding of the Belin Maternity and Accident Wards and the Margaretta Belin Home for Nurses, in Scranton.

Patrick John O'Dea, M. D., was born at White Haven, Pa., the son of John L. O'Dea and Mary Elizabeth (Costello) O'Dea.

John L. O'Dea was a native of Ireland. He resided in White Haven, Luzerne County, Pa., for a number of years, during which time he married Mary Elizabeth Costello, who died June 17, 1914, and later he located in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. In April, 1905, he located in West Scranton where he resided until the date of his death, November 30, 1919.

To John L. O'Dea and Mary Elizabeth (Costello) O'Dea the following children were born: Julia who lives at home, 169 S. Main Ave.; Dennis James, deceased; Patrick John O'Dea, M. D.; Marie, a graduate of East Stroudsburg State Normal School and a teacher in the Grant Street School, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Anna Agnes, a graduate registered pharmacist and registration commissioner of the city of Scranton, wife of Thomas F. Murphy, associated editor of the Scranton Times; Catherine S., a graduate of the East Stroudsburg State Normal School and a teacher in the Washington Irving School, Scranton, Pa.; Dr. Nellie Geraldine, a graduate of the medical department of Temple University, Philadelphia, and a specialist in the treatment of diseases of women and children; Dolly Genevieve, a graduate of Dickinson School of Law and a member of the Lackawanna County Bar Association and of the Bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, wife of Attorney Jerome K. Barrett and residing at 901 Poplar Street, Dunmore, Pa.; Michael Paul, of Syracuse, N. Y., and Dr. John Harold O'Dea, located at 1429 N. Washington Avenue, Scranton, Pa. Dr. John Harold O'Dea was educated in the public schools of Scranton and Bellefonte Academy. He attended Georgetown University and graduated from the Medical Department of Loyola University, Chicago, Ill., after which time he devoted three years to the study of surgery at The Chicago Polyclinic and Henroten Hospitals, Chicago. On October 23, 1926 he married Miss Margaret Pennefeather, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Pennefeather of Kenosha, Wis.

Patrick John O'Dea, M. D., received his early education in the public schools of White Haven and Wilkes-Barre. His medical education was

received at the College of Physicians and Surgeons (now Medical Department of the University of Maryland) and he graduated from that institution in 1898. For a short period of time during his early days as a physician, Dr. O'Dea practised in the soft coal regions in the western part of Pennsylvania, and in the year 1902 came to Scranton, and settled in the Bellevue section, where he rapidly developed an unusually large general practice. In 1905, he opened an office at the site of his present location, at 171 South Main Avenue, retaining his Bellevue office for a period of about three years. Having devoted considerable time to the study of obstetrics and specializing in the branch, Dr. O'Dea was appointed Chief Obstetrician of the West Side Hospital, a position he retained for 15 years, when he resigned, due to pressure of private practice.

In 1920, Dr. O'Dea married Miss Emma Hurley, formerly of Towanda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hurley. The family circle is completed by two sons, John and Daniel, and one daughter, Marie Patrice.

L. D. Cool is active and well known in the business life of Scranton, where he is manager of the Guarantee Loan Company, which is located at 431 Lackawanna Avenue. He was born at Hop Bottom, Pa., May 23, 1887, and is a son of DeWitt C. and Frances I. (Setser) Cool.

DeWitt C. Cool was born in New Jersey in 1845. Throughout his active career he engaged in general farming and stock raising and in 1870 removed to Susquehanna County, Pa. He died in 1912. His wife, who was born in Auburn Township, Susquehanna County in 1854, died in 1913. Mr. and Mrs. Cool were lifelong members of the Methodist Church and he was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To Mr. and Mrs. Cool the following children were born: Milly, deceased; Anna, married J. P. Delsaux, lives at Hop Bottom; William S., an engineer on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, lives at Scranton; Lucy, deceased; Ethel, married C. C. Wright, lives at Scranton; and L. D., the subject of this sketch.

L. D. Cool spent his boyhood on his father's farm and was educated in the schools of Hop Bottom. After completing a high school course he attended the Binghamton School of Business. In 1905 he became associated with the wholesale dry goods business of John L. Morgan in Binghamton, where he remained until 1914. He has since lived in Scranton and in 1914 became identified with the Guarantee Loan Company as an appraiser. He was made manager in 1925.

On Aug. 30, 1915, Mr. Cool married Miss Flossie E. Nimmons, of Binghamton, the daughter of Frank and Susan (Warner) Nimmons both of whom are deceased. Mr. Cool is a member of Peter Williams Mason Lodge. His wife is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Cool have no children.

Mr. Cool is a Republican, and a member of the Methodist Church. The family residence is at 612 Moosic Street.

William T. Lindsay is among the substantial men of Scranton, where he is connected with the First National Bank as assistant manager of the Bond department. He was born in this city Nov. 17, 1887, the son of Charles H. and Anna (Tenney) Lindsay.

Charles H. Lindsay, deceased, was a prominent citizen of Scranton. He was born at Bath, N. Y. March 9, 1846, and at an early age came to Scranton, where he was manager of the Academy of Music from 1877 until 1891. He then served as treasurer of the Dupont Powder Company of Pennsylvania until the time of his death, which occurred in 1919. His wife was born at Georgetown, D. C., March 15, 1856, and resides in Scranton. Mr. Lindsay was a member of the United Presbyterian Church. There were four children in the Lindsay family: William T., the subject of this sketch; Carl L., lives in Scranton; Louise, lives at home; and Stewart, a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy.

William T. Lindsay obtained his education in the public schools of Scranton and was graduated from Central High School in 1905. He then entered the employ of the First National Bank as a messenger boy, and has been connected with this institution continuously since 1905. He was promoted from time to time and in January, 1926, became assistant manager of the bond department.

On Sept. 5, 1916, Mr. Lindsay was united in marriage with Miss Gladys Axford, who was born in Milwaukee, Wis., in 1893. They have two children, Eleanor, and William T., Jr.

Mr. Lindsay is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Sportsmen's League.

John Fitzsimmons is one of the best known insurance men of Scranton, where he is associated with James P. Lavelle, with offices at 311 Spruce Street. He was born in Fell Township, Lackawanna County, May 6, 1856, the son of Hugh and Rose (Shannon) Fitzsimmons.

Both Hugh Fitzsimmons and his wife were natives of Ireland and among the earliest settlers of Lackawanna County, having emigrated to this country in 1850. Mr. Fitzsimmons was a stationary fireman. He died in 1908 at the age of 96 years. His wife is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzsimmons were the parents of nine children, four of whom were born in Ireland.

When nine years of age John Fitzsimmons went to work in the coal mines as a breaker boy. His family had removed to Wayne County in 1860, where he spent his early life. Later he was employed by the Delaware & Hudson Railroad as a brakeman, and in 1880 came to Scranton, where he was associated with the Sunday News. He and his brother, F. J. Fitzsimmons, were owners and publishers of this newspaper until 1890, at which time John Fitzsimmons became interested in the general insurance business, with offices in the Traders Bank Building. Later he was

located in the Miller Building, and since 1898 has been in his present location. He has been associated in business with Mr. Lavelle since 1920.

Mr. Fitzsimmons is independent in politics, and has served as alderman of the Eighth ward. He is a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church and has always taken an active interest in church affairs. Mr. Fitzsimmons is unmarried.

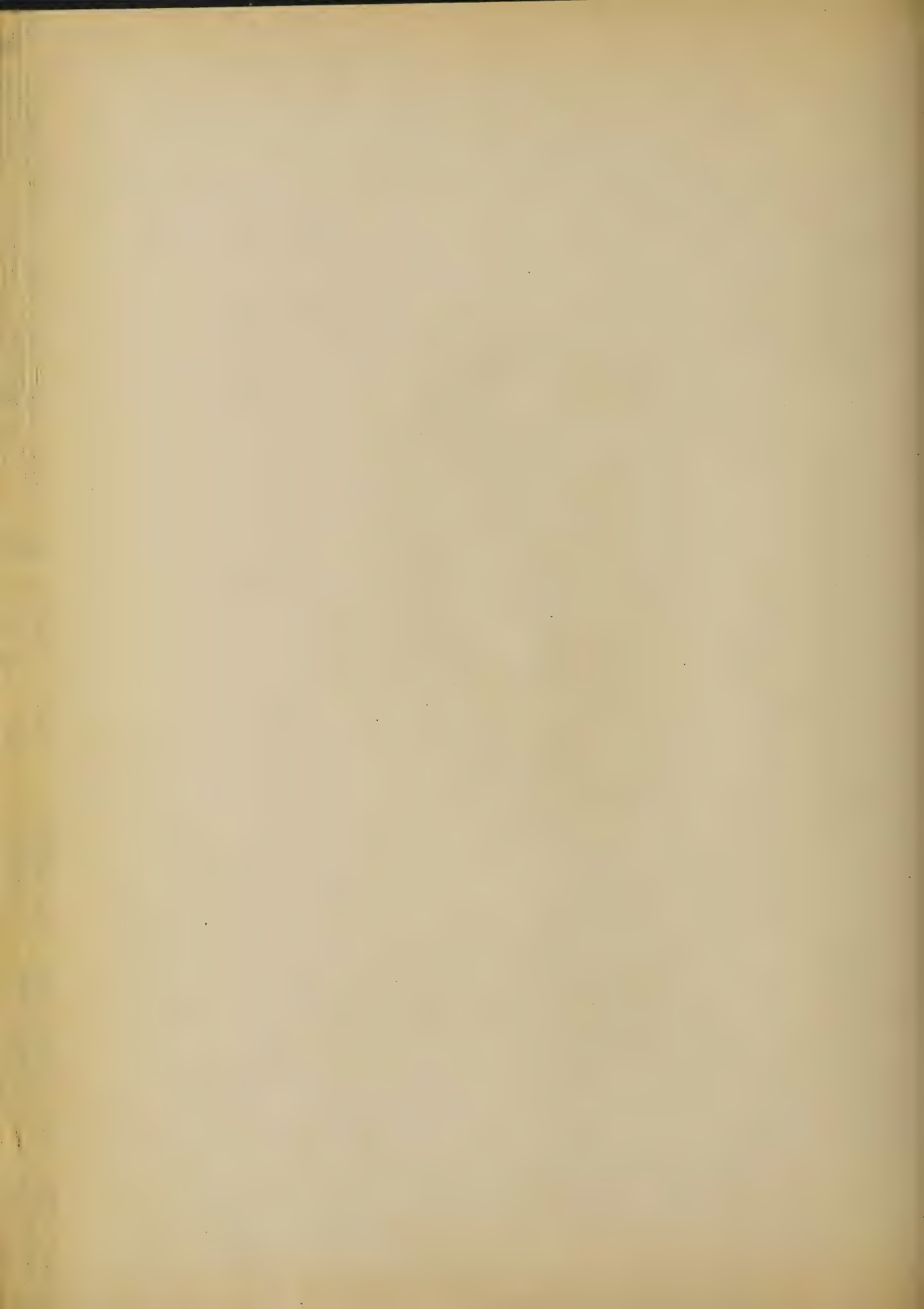
James Alexander Linen, Jr.—With a character of honor and integrity, builded on a stable foundation of the finest principles, James A. Linen, Jr., is today commanding a conspicuous place in the business world of his native city of Scranton, having, in 1923, been elected to the high official office of president of the Lincoln Trust Company. He has followed rapidly in the footsteps of his honored father, James Alexander Linen, Sr., after whom he was named, and who was a man of brilliant attainments, and recognized as one of the financial wizards of his day, so capably and efficiently did he handle the various problems that were brought to his attention.

James A. Linen, Jr., son of James A. and Anna C. (Blair) Linen, was born in Scranton, Oct. 11, 1884. He had most liberal advantages during his youth, being trained at Lawrenceville Preparatory School, and at Williams College, from the latter of which he graduated in 1907 with the Bachelor of Arts degree. Upon leaving college and beginning the career of a business man, he made his first entry into business as an employee of the Scranton Pump Company, where he carried on the duties of a receiver for a period of three years, after which he was promoted to the position of vice-president and treasurer. He was one of the active men in the affairs of that corporation until 1916. In 1913 he was elected councilman-at-large (council of five) for Scranton; in 1914-15 he was chairman of the Finance Committee of Council, and in 1916-17 was president of the City Council.

The World War having become an issue, Mr. Linen's patriotism asserted itself and he enlisted for service with the 13th Pennsylvania Regiment, subsequently being transferred to the Adjutant General's Department. Here he served as Insurance Officer for the 28th Division and later as Personnel Adjutant of the Machine Gun Training Center until the armistice brought an end to hostilities, and he was honorably discharged, having at that time attained to the rank of captain. On resuming civilian life he became secretary-treasurer of the United Service Corporation, of Scranton. During these years of business activity he had firmly established himself in the confidence of the people of Scranton, and especially so in the minds of the banking public, for in 1923 he was elected to the presidency of the Lincoln Trust Company, to succeed the former president, H. C. Shafer. In this office he is serving the public today in an efficient and capable manner. Recently the Lincoln Trust Company took up their quarters in their new building on Washington Avenue, which is



James A. Linn Jr.



one of the most attractive in this section of the state. The officers of the company are: Ralph A. Amerman, chairman of the Board; James A. Linen, Jr., president; Edwin H. Shafer, treasurer; George O. Sharps, vice-president; Daniel P. Peil, assistant treasurer; J. Watson Browning, trust officer. Mr. Linen was for many years a director of the First National Bank of Scranton, and Lackawanna Trust Company, and is a director of the International Textbook Company and all its allied associations.

Mr. Linen is a Mason, being affiliated with Peter Williamson Lodge, No. 323, Free and Accepted Masons, and all bodies up to and including the Commandery, Knights Templar, of the York Rite, and the Keystone Consistory of the Scottish Rites. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and the Country Club of Scranton, the Scranton Club, the Waverly Country Club, the New York Williams Club, the American Legion, and the Kiwanis Club. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal Church.

James Alexander Linen, Jr., was married in 1908, to Genevieve N. Tuthill, of Chicago, daughter of Judge Richard S. and Harriet (McKee) Tuthill. Her father, who died in 1920, had a long distinguished career as a lawyer and judge and was one of the best known jurists in the middle west. Mr. and Mrs. Linen are the parents of four children: James A., III, born in 1912; Harriet T., born in 1914; Mary, born in 1916; and Sallie S., born in 1922.

Harold Doud, treasurer of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company, is widely known in banking circles throughout Lackawanna County. He was born at Hazelton, Luzerne County, Pa., Oct. 16, 1887, and is the son of E. S. and Ella (Chase) Doud.

E. S. Doud was born at Madison, Conn., the son of Charles H. Doud, who settled in Scranton during the early days, being the first hardware merchant in this city. His son was vice president of the Wilkes-Barre and Hazelton Traction Company, and secretary of the Lehigh Traction Company. He died in 1919, and his wife, a native of Scranton and the daughter of Joseph Chase, pioneer of Scranton, died in 1914. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Doud: Joseph C., lives at Wilkes-Barre; Walter, lives at Worcester, Mass.; Mabel Louise, lives in New York City; Ella, married F. H. Leisenring, lives at Wilkes-Barre; E. Raymond, lives in Pittsburgh; Harold, the subject of this sketch; Ruth, industrial secretary of the Y. W. C. A., Scranton; and Lawrence F., engaged in the real estate business, Scranton.

Harold Doud was educated in the public schools of Hazelton and Scranton, having come to this city in 1905. While a student at Central High School he was very active in all athletics and was a captain of every team for one year. He held the Northwestern Pennsylvania championship in the 100 and 220 yard dashes for a number of years. After graduating from high school, he was employed at Factoryville, Pa., as a surveyor,

running several lines to Binghamton, N. Y., and also ran the first flow lines around the land now covered by the Wallenpaupack Dam, the boundary line between Lackawanna and Wayne counties. He has been identified with the banks of Scranton for the past 18 years. He was assistant secretary and treasurer of the Old Scranton Trust Company from 1913 until 1924, treasurer of the same institution from 1924 until 1927, and has been treasurer of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company since the merger of these two trust companies, April 2, 1927.

Mr. Doud was married April 23, 1913, to Miss Margaret Ives, the daughter of Albert G. Ives, vice president of the First National Bank, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Doud have four children: Harold Albert, born Jan. 3, 1915; Margaret Jane, born Oct. 13, 1917; Anne Elizabeth, born Jan. 2, 1919; and Esther Louise, born Sept. 15, 1923.

Mr. Doud is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce. He is active in the management of the Geisinger Hospital at Danville, Pa., and is one of its directors. Mr. Doud has been acting as secretary to the Advisory Board of Johnson School since the founding of the school. Mr. Doud is a Republican.

Dr. R. A. Goodall is prominent among the younger dentists of Scranton, where he is also serving as president of the Scranton District Dental Association. He was born at Jenkins, Ky., Aug. 31, 1898.

After completing his early schooling in Kentucky, R. A. Goodall went to Barnesboro, Pa., and there completed his high school work. He entered the University of Pennsylvania and in 1921 was graduated from the School of Dentistry. He spent the following year at Reading, Pa., and since 1922 has been located in Scranton with offices in the Connell Building. In January, 1927, Doctor Goodall was elected president of the Scranton District Dental Association, which includes the territory of Lackawanna, Wayne, Pike, Susquehanna, and Monroe counties.

On June 18, 1921, Doctor Goodall was united in marriage with Miss Adelaide Thompson, of Philadelphia, and they have had two children: Robert, who died in infancy; and Susanne, born Dec. 12, 1923.

Doctor Goodall is a Republican and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Chamber of Commerce.

Charles S. Gelbert, M. D., is among the leading young professional men of Scranton. He was born in this city, Oct. 21, 1894, and is the son of Daniel G. and Josephine (Brown) Gelbert.

Daniel G. Gelbert, one of the city's most prominent druggists, was born in New York City, Dec. 30, 1865. He spent his early life in Hawley, Pa., and then came to Scranton, where he has owned a large drug business for more than 40 years. His store is located at 832 Capouse Avenue.

Mr. Gelbert was married in 1885 to Miss Josephine Brown, a native of Scranton, and they had three children: Leona, who died in infancy; Charles S., the subject of this sketch; and Anna Joan is a junior at St. Elizabeth's College, in New Jersey.

Charles S. Gelbert obtained his early schooling in the public schools of Scranton and is a graduate of Villa Nova College. He studied medicine at Temple University, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1919. He spent the following year as an interne in Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, and the State Hospital, Scranton. Since 1920 Doctor Gelbert has been established in private practice in this city with offices in the Dime Bank Building.

Doctor Gelbert is a Democrat, a member of St. Peter's Cathedral parish, and belongs to the Y. M. C. A. He also holds membership in the Lackawanna Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association.

Sidney Grabowski, who has since 1918 engaged in a general practice of law in Scranton, is prominent in the city and holds the high regard of the entire community. He was born in Poland, March 31, 1891, and is the son of Frank and Paulina (Fiust) Grabowski.

Frank Grabowski was born in Poland and spent his early life there. He is an organist and now resides at Nanticoke, Pa. His wife died in December, 1923, at the age of 58 years and is buried in Holy Trinity Cemetery, Nanticoke. To Mr. and Mrs. Grabowski the following children were born: Sophie, a blind musician, has appeared in a number of concerts in Scranton and is nationally known; Sidney, the subject of this sketch; Dr. Stanley, a physician, lives in Scranton; Helen, lives in New York City; Joseph, lives at Nanticoke, Pa.; Victoria, married Anthony J. Dziwisz, lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Walter, lives at Nanticoke, Pa.; Martha, a graduate of Bloomsburg State Normal School; Mary, married Michael Vavrick, lives at Nanticoke, Pa.; and Emily, lives at home.

Sidney Grabowski came to this country with his parents when he was seven years old and settled in Pennsylvania. He attended the public schools of Hudson and Nanticoke, Pa., and in 1915 was graduated from Bucknell University. Three years later he received his degree in law at the University of Pennsylvania and was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in July, 1919. Mr. Grabowski has since been located and has offices in the Connell Building.

On April 5, 1920, Mr. Grabowski was united in marriage with Miss Dorothy Knoll, of Nanticoke, Pa. They have four children: Sidney, Jr., Marie, Genevieve, and George.

Mr. Grabowski is a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Abington Hills Country Club, Kappa Sigma fraternity, and Chamber of Commerce.

William Wallace McCulloch.—Scranton, the place of his nativity, has been the scene of the life work of William Wallace McCulloch. His rise from a clerkship to president of one of the city's largest financial institutions has been rapid. Every advancement was meritorious, proof of capacity and a positive mark of leadership. Mr. McCulloch is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, not only prominent in financial circles but active in civic, fraternal and religious affairs. Affable and quiet spoken yet he has a commanding personality which impresses itself and has made him one of the up and coming men of the city.

Mr. McCulloch's parents were William and Mary Allen McCulloch. He was born in Scranton, June 30, 1875. He began work at the age of 14 as a clerk with the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company. He augmented his education with special courses and by 1892 was a bookkeeper with the Traders National Bank, of Scranton. In banking he found work which was to his liking and he quickly impressed the officers of the Traders National Bank with his ability. When the Union National Bank was organized in 1907 Mr. McCulloch left the Traders to become assistant cashier of the new institution. In 1912 he was elected cashier of the Union National Bank and in 1922 was made vice president of that institution and on Jan. 12, 1928 he was elected president. During the Spanish-American War he served with the old 13th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, was mustered out with the rank of sergeant-major. In 1924 he was chairman of Group 3, Pennsylvania Bankers' Association.

Fraternally Mr. McCulloch is a member of Peter Williamson and Keystone lodges, Free and Accepted Masons; also a member of the Consistory, holding the 32nd degree. He belongs to Irem Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles, Order of the Mystic Shrine; likewise is a member of the Scranton Club and Scranton Chamber of Commerce. Politically Mr. McCulloch is a Republican, in religion a Reformed Episcopalian, being a member of Grace Reformed Episcopal Church.

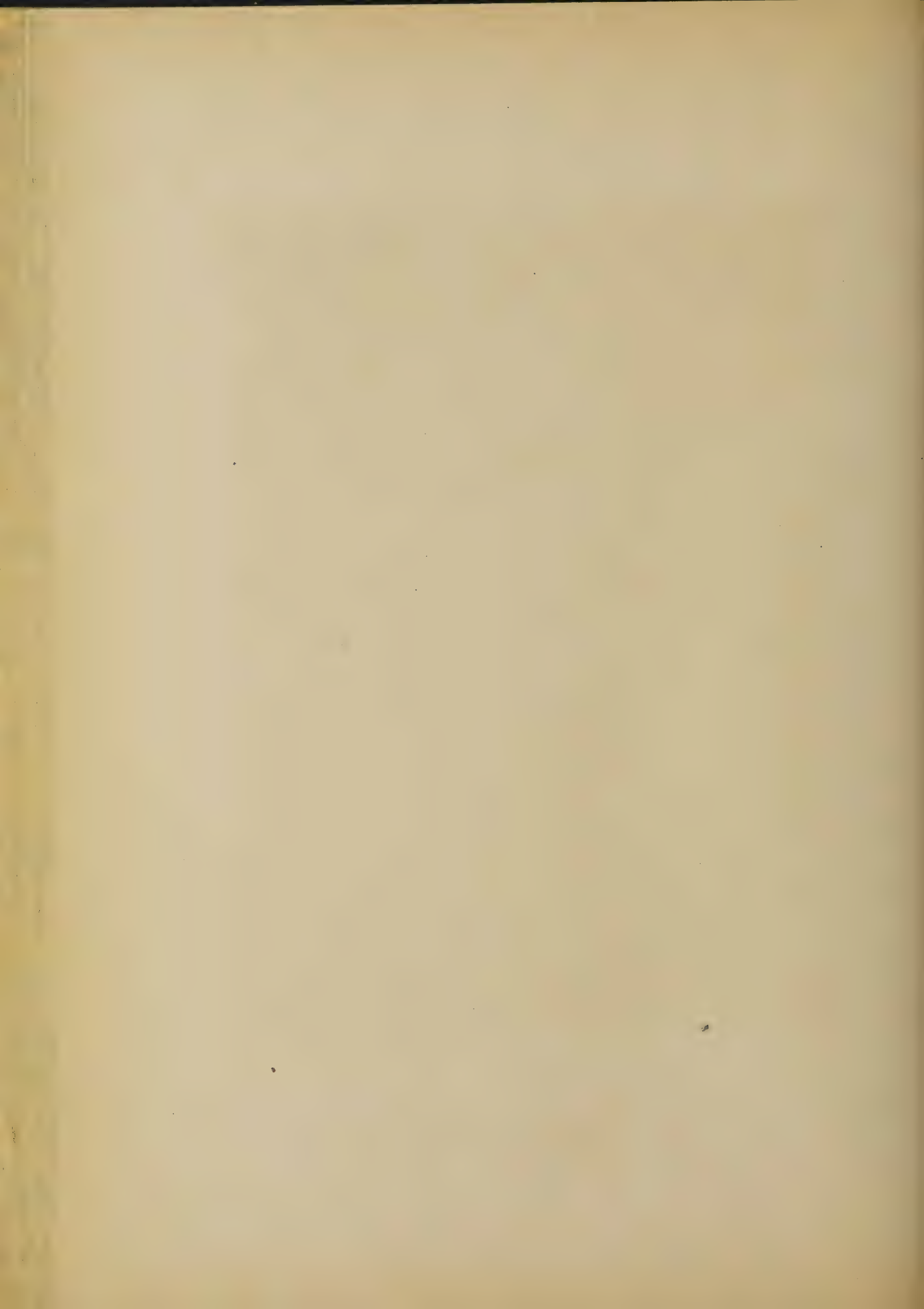
Mr. McCulloch married (first), Oct. 16, 1902, in Scranton, Hannah Ripple, a daughter of Col. E. H. and Sarah Hackett Ripple; and (second), April 27, 1918, Margaret Thomas, daughter of Dr. D. J. and Adelaide Keller Thomas. By his second marriage, Mr. McCulloch has two children, Ronald, born Nov. 18, 1920; and Allan, born Aug. 9, 1922. His home is in Clarks Green, a suburb of Scranton.

Dr. I. J. Donnelly is a successful and prominent dentist of Scranton, where he has engaged in practice continuously since 1916. He was born in Ontario, Canada, Oct. 27, 1879, and is the son of Richard M. Donnelly.

Richard M. Donnelly has spent his entire life in Canada and for many years was a successful merchant of Orilla, where he sold agricultural and harvesting machinery. He is now 87 years old and lives retired. His wife has been deceased for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly were the parents of nine children, four of whom survive: Mrs.



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Charles C. Thompson, lives in Scranton; Mother Bernard, St. Loretto Convent, Chicago; Kenneth A., lives at Orilla, Canada; and I. J., the subject of this sketch.

I. J. Donnelly spent his boyhood in Canada and received his early education there. He studied dentistry at the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his degree in 1907. He then located at Dunmore, Pa., and remained there until 1916, at which time he established his present practice in Scranton with offices in the Dime Bank Building.

On June 1, 1908, Doctor Donnelly was united in marriage with Miss Sadie Lappin, of Toronto, Canada. She came to Scranton about 1900 and is a graduate of the Scranton Private Hospital. They have the following children: Richard, Isabel, Dorothy, John, Paul and Claire Ann, all at home.

Dr. Donnelly is identified with the Scranton Dental Society, of which he served as treasurer in 1926, and he also belongs to the Pennsylvania State and American Dental Societies. He is a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, Elks Lodge, Big Brothers Club and Holy Name Society.

L. P. Gibbons, M. D. One of the most successful physicians and surgeons of Scranton, where he has engaged in practice since 1912, is Doctor Gibbons, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Avoca, Lackawanna County, July 4, 1885, and is the son of Edward and Sabina (O'Malley) Gibbons.

Both Edward Gibbons and his wife were natives of County Mayo, Ireland, and early settlers of Lackawanna County. After his arrival here, Mr. Gibbons worked in the coal mines of Avoca. Both he and his wife died in 1918. They had the following children: John J., lives at Dunmore; Mrs. J. F. Mitchell, lives at Dunmore; Miss Catherine Gibbons, lives at Dunmore; Mrs. Edward Golden, lives at Dunmore; Mrs. John Ward, lives at Dunmore; and L. P., the subject of this sketch.

L. P. Gibbons spent his boyhood at Avoca and attended the public schools. He completed his high school work there in 1902 and the following six years were spent in work. He then took up the study of medicine and in 1912 was graduated from the Chirurgical College of Philadelphia with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He has since taken post graduate work in Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, Md., and six months in Europe, 1925, and specializes in urology. Doctor Gibbons has offices in the Connell Building.

During the World War Doctor Gibbons volunteered for service and spent a year in France with the Medical Corps. He held the rank of first lieutenant.

Doctor Gibbons is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is Urologist to State Hospital and Urologist to

the West Side Hospital. He is a Democrat, a member of the Elks Lodge and American Legion. He is unmarried and lives at the Elks Club in Scranton.

Paul M. Dzwonchyk, one of the representative young attorneys of Scranton, is a native of Lackawanna County. He was born at Mayfield, June 7, 1893, and is the son of Michael and Celia (Dudick) Dzwonchyk.

Michael Dzwonchyk, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He died in 1908 and his wife died in 1920. Both are buried at Mayfield. To Mr. and Mrs. Dzwonchyk were born six children, as follows: Paul M., the subject of this sketch; Florence, married Michael Deliman; Eva, married Andrew Shurminski, lives at Mayfield, Pa.; Basil and Harry, both live at Mayfield; and Alexander, lives in New York City.

Paul M. Dzwonchyk spent his boyhood at Mayfield and received his early education in the public and high schools there. He was graduated from Mansfield State Normal School and then entered Dickinson Law School, from which he received his degree in 1914. He was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in 1917 and has since engaged in the practice of law in Scranton, with offices in the Mears Building.

Mr. Dzwonchyk is a member of the Greek Orthodox Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge. He is unmarried.

Mr. Dzwonchyk is one of the directors of the Mayfield State Bank.

A. D. Preston, D. D. S. One of the prominent dentists of Scranton and a leading member of the dental fraternity in Lackawanna County for the past 31 years, is A. D. Preston. He was born at South Hadley, Mass., Jan. 30, 1873, the son of Cyrus S. and Annie M. (Hunter) Preston.

Cyrus S. Preston was born in Massachusetts in 1834, and spent his entire life at South Hadley, where he was well known as a painting contractor. He died in 1913, and his wife died in 1917. To Mr. and Mrs. Preston two sons were born: A. D., the subject of this sketch; and Collins C., lives at South Hadley, Mass. By a former marriage Cyrus S. Preston had three children: Carrie, married Bert Bowker, lives at Suffield, Conn.; Nathaniel E., dentist, lives at South Hadley, Mass.; and Warren, died at the age of 17 years.

A. D. Preston, while growing up at South Hadley, attended the grammar and high schools. He was graduated from the Philadelphia Dental College in 1895, and immediately became associated in practice with Dr. E. T. Wheaton, of Scranton. In 1900, when Dr. Wheaton retired, the entire practice was assumed by Dr. Preston. He has maintained offices in the Mears Building throughout his long practice.

On Sept. 28, 1898, Dr. Preston was married to Miss Mattie B. Hards, of Carbondale. They have a daughter, Clara L. She was graduated from The Howe-Marot School at Thompson, Conn., in 1924 and the University

of Pennsylvania in 1925. She has since been connected with the Reading (Pa.) schools as oral hygienist.

Dr. Preston is a Republican, a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He has served as president of the Scranton Dental Society, as president of the Susquehanna Dental Association, and is a member of the Pennsylvania State and American Dental Associations.

Dr. Preston has an estate of ten acres at Dalton, Pa., where he spends part of his time in the cultivation of fruits and flowers, in which he is greatly interested.

James W. McDonald has been established in the general practice of law in Scranton since 1900 and is one of the highly successful attorneys of Lackawanna County. He was born in Dunmore and educated in the public schools. After his admission to the bar of Lackawanna County he established his present practice, and has offices in the Miller Building.

Mr. McDonald has been solicitor for the borough of Dunmore for the past ten years. He is a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association.

Mr. McDonald is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Dunmore. He is unmarried.

L. D. Savige. Holding rank as one of the ablest of the younger attorneys of Scranton, L. D. Savige, a veteran of the World War, is prominent throughout Lackawanna County. He was born at Harford, Pa., April 7, 1892, and is the son of Wright L. and Anna (Carey) Savige.

Both Wright L. Savige and his wife are deceased. He was a successful farmer and stockman of Pennsylvania for many years and lived at Harford, Pa., from 1880 until the time of his death in 1925. He is buried at Harford. His wife died in 1921 at the age of 69 years. To Mr. and Mrs. Savige the following children were born: Charles J., lives at East Brady, Pa.; Rev. George R., pastor of the Providence Methodist Episcopal Church, Scranton; Cora E. Lewis, a missionary in China; Bertha, also a missionary in China; and L. D., the subject of this sketch.

L. D. Savige grew up at Harford, Pa., and attended the public schools there. He was graduated from Bloomsburg Normal School and from the Dickinson Law School. Before taking up the study of law, Mr. Savige taught school for several years and was principal of Sterling (Pa.) High School. During the World War he served with the rank of major in the 79th Division. He was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in 1918 and has practiced in Scranton since June, 1919, with offices in the Mears Building.

Mr. Savige was married on Oct. 22, 1919, to Miss Ethel Holderbaum, of Somerset, Pa., and they have three daughters, Harriet, Martha, and Elizabeth. Mrs. Savige is also a graduate of the Dickinson Law School,

class of 1918, and Wellesley College. She was admitted to the bar of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and Somerset County and engaged in the practice of law before her marriage to Mr. Savige. She is a member of the College Club of Scranton and belongs to the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mr. Savige is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He is also a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association.

James Alexander Linen.—Having spent the greater part of his business career in the city of Scranton, where he rose to be one of the outstanding figures in the financial world—president of the First National Bank of this city, James Alexander Linen was called by death from his earthly achievements in 1915, and although he had some two years previously handed the official reins to younger hands, the announcement of his death caused widespread grief and a sense of real loss to the community.

His father, George Linen, was born in Greenlaw, Scotland, April 29, 1802, and became a noted portrait painter. In his early years he evinced artistic ability and was therefore entered at the Royal Scottish Academy at Edinburgh, where he was given a thorough training by artists of the highest repute. He developed into a portrait painter of rare, lifelike accuracy. He carried on his art work in England for several years, then, in 1834, came to New York, and opened a studio. It was not long before he was being recognized and his studio was being invaded by many of the most prominent men of the day. He was daily at his work adding to his fame as well as to his material prosperity. He made cabinet portraits his special field, and one of his masterpieces, painted five years after his arrival in the United States, received a medal as the best specimen of cabinet portrait painting shown at the annual exhibition of the National Academy of Design. Among the official dignitaries of the day who sat in his studio were Henry Clay and Daniel Webster, of whom he painted such excellent likenesses that from his portraits are made the vignettes which appear upon certain United States treasury notes of high denomination.

Mr. Linen was also a brilliant conversationalist, his charming manners and grace making him much sought after socially. During his exceedingly busy life he had saved a modest competence and after he had tasted all the delights of fame and popularity, he purchased a farm at Bloomingdale, N. J., naming it Glenburne, a word from his native Caledonian tongue, meaning "the rivulet by the ravine." He retired to this farm to spend his later years and gave up his painting except to occasionally gratify the wish of a friend, or to paint a portrait of one of his children. He was a member of the Reformed Church, simple, sincere,



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and earnest in his worship. He married Sarah Davis, and to them were born nine children, of whom James Alexander is of further mention.

James Alexander Linen, son of George and Sarah (Davis) Linen, was born in Greenfield Township, Lackawanna County, Pa., June 23, 1840, and died in 1915, leaving behind a record of honor and worthy achievements. His education was received in the schools of New York City and Newark, N. J., but ended at the high school door, which fact is additional reason for being proud of the young man who, with this handicap, rose step by step, overcoming the obstacles in his path, until he reached the president's chair. Leaving school he entered the office of a note broker in Wall Street, and during the five years of his employment there gained a deep insight into monetary affairs and the means of their adjustment, inflation and depression, which proved invaluable to him in the later years of his life. At about the time he felt ready to start in business for himself, the Civil War broke out, and being inspired with an ardent patriotism for his country, he felt it his duty to serve his country and forget business for the time being. On Sept. 19, 1862, he enlisted as a private in the Twenty-sixth Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers, soon rising to the rank of lieutenant. He completed nine months' service in the Battle of the Potomac, and saw much strenuous action, his regiment taking part in the battles of Chancellorsville and Fredericksburg, also in the Gettysburg campaign, engaging in the first conflict of that historic manoeuvre. Subsequently Lieutenant Linen was transferred to the Army of the West and for 18 months was stationed at Camp Nelson, Kentucky, as disbursing clerk for Captain T. E. Hall, chief quartermaster for the Ninth Army Corps. After peace was declared, Lieutenant Linen became identified with the National Guard of Pennsylvania, and at the organization of Company D, Thirteenth Regiment, was elected first lieutenant, later becoming captain and serving for six years.

In February, 1865, Mr. Linen accepted a position as teller in the First National Bank of Scranton, and three months later was advanced to the position of cashier, which office he held with conspicuous ability for 26 years. During this time he was held high in the estimation of the other officials of the institutions and played an important part in maintaining the solvency of the bank during the period of readjustment that followed the financial conditions of the Civil War and the reconstruction years. In all this troublous time the First National Bank, owing to its wise and far-sighted executive heads, not only was in no danger itself but was able to assist other and less fortunate concerns which would otherwise have become links in the long chain of failures that were occurring hourly. In October, 1891, Mr. Linen received the election as president of the First National Bank, the culmination of long years of faithful service and unceasing devotion to its best interests. In his new position he was quickened to new efforts in its behalf and for 22 years guided it with clear and capable judgment, the bank retaining its position at the head of the financial institutions of Scranton and among the strongest in the United States.

In 1913 Mr. Linen was succeeded in the presidency of the First National Bank by Charles S. Weston, descending from the position he had dignified so many years to make way for a new generation of younger blood. Upon retiring from this office he accepted the chairmanship of the board of directors of the bank, thus not entirely severing the bonds which had been so closely welded together for a period of 48 years. He was also one of the directors of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company. Mr. Linen was frequently called upon to act in the capacity of executive, trustee, or administrator of large estates, and filled many responsible offices requiring the services of an experienced financier, not the least of which was his appointment as assignee of the defunct Scranton Trust Company, and Savings Bank, whose affairs he settled in a most satisfactory manner, fully justifying the confidence placed in his executive powers.

Mr. Linen was a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, of Pennsylvania; and of Ezra Griffin Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Scranton, and the Country Club of Scranton. He was a member and actively interested in the different activities of the Second Presbyterian Church of Scranton.

James Alexander Linen married, Dec. 17, 1869, Anna C. Blair, daughter of James Blair, of Scranton, prominent in the business activities of that place, having been for years president of the Scranton Savings Bank. He was also a director of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. To Mr. and Mrs. Linen were born the following children: (1) Margaret Clark, died in childhood. (2) James Blair, died in childhood. (3) Mary Belle, a graduate of Miss Masters' School at Dobbs Ferry. (4) Frank Insley, a graduate of Princeton University. (5) James A., Jr., a biography of whom follows.

Lowell M. Gates, M. D. One of the foremost physicians and surgeons of the Lackawanna section of the state is Dr. Gates, who has successfully engaged in the practice of his profession at Scranton for almost half a century. He was born in Wayne County, Pa., March 26, 1852, the son of A. W. and Samantha (Hall) Gates.

A. W. Gates spent his entire life in Wayne County, where he was born in 1820. He followed general farming and stock raising and was also well known as a lumber dealer. He died in 1914, and his wife, a native of Susquehanna County, Pa., died in 1911. Mr. and Mrs. Gates had three children: Quincy Adams, lives retired at Washington, D. C., was for 50 years a leading attorney of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Lowell M., the subject of this sketch; and Dulcie, married J. W. Browning, a trust officer in the Lincoln Trust Company, Scranton.

Lowell M. Gates attended the district schools of Wayne County, and an academy at Deposit, N. Y. He was graduated from Hillsdale College, and in 1878 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the Medical School, University of Michigan. The same year he engaged in practice

at Deposit, N. Y., and in 1879 established his offices in Scranton, where he has continued to the present time. After locating in this city he was appointed superintendent and house surgeon of the Lackawanna Hospital, now the State Hospital. Upon his resignation he was elected to the surgical staff on which he served 18 years. He has been secretary-treasurer and president of the Lackawanna County Medical Society, vice president of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and is a prominent member of the American Medical Association, having represented these bodies at their various meetings and conventions held at Washington, D. C., Philadelphia, Minneapolis, Baltimore, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco.

In 1880 Dr. Gates married Miss Helen Dunn, of Hillsdale, Mich., the daughter of Rev. R. Dunn, one of the founders of Hillsdale College. To them were born four children: Wayland D., a graduate of Scranton High School, Hillsdale College, and the Rochester Theology Seminary, for a number of years a missionary in China, now engaged in business in Cleveland, Ohio; Evelyn D., a graduate of Scranton High School and Hillsdale College, married F. P. Knapp, National District Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., St. Louis, Mo.; Helen M., a graduate of Scranton High School and Mount Holyoke College, a teacher of French in the Cleveland, Ohio, high schools; and Edith M., a graduate of Scranton High School and Oberlin College. She is a teacher of physical education in the schools of Copenhagen, Denmark. She was connected with the schools of Minneapolis, Minn., Youngstown, Ohio and Cleveland, Ohio, the Y. W. C. A. for several years, and following the close of the World War, was engaged as a teacher of physical education in the schools of Poland and Belgium. She also spent some time in the schools of Moscow, Russia, and the Baltic States. Helen (Dunn) Gates died in 1910 and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. In April, 1912, Dr. Gates married Minnie Bittenbender, sister of W. E. Bittenbender.

Dr. Gates is a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church, of which he has served as deacon and trustee for many years. He is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The Gates residence is at 1119 Mulberry Street, Scranton.

Frank H. Stair is one of the dependable business men of Scranton, where he has been identified with the American Safety Lamp and Mine Supply Company for the past 28 years as president. He was born at Easton, Pa., March 17, 1866, the son of George and Harriet (Stear) Stair.

George Stair was born at Easton, Pa., in 1843. During his active career he was connected with the Jersey Central Railroad Company. He has always lived at Easton and is now retired. His wife is deceased.

Frank H. Stair secured his education in the public schools of Easton and came to Scranton when he was 21 years of age. After several years he removed to Rome, N. Y., but returned to Scranton in 1893, where he

has since been identified with the above named company. Mr. Stair served as shop superintendent until 1899, at which time he purchased the business. The American Safety Lamp & Mine Supply Company was founded in 1893 by A. J. Lynett, O. S. Johnson, Col. L. A. Watres, John Fahey, M. A. McDonald, and Judge Lewis. Mr. Stair has made many improvements in the plant and ships his product throughout the United States, Mexico and Canada. He specializes in government work, and has a large annual volume of business.

In 1909 Mr. Stair was married to Miss Anna M. Dando, of Scranton. She is vice president, secretary and treasurer of the business of which her husband is president. Mr. and Mrs. Stair have a daughter, Frances Anna, who is the wife of Robert Jessup of Scranton.

Mr. Stair is a Republican, a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, and Chamber of Commerce. Both he and his wife have an extensive acquaintance throughout the county.

Margaret (Robertson) Muir, deceased, was a prominent woman of Scranton and the founder of one of the city's leading florist shops. She was born at Mount Pleasant, Pa., the daughter of Andrew and Margaret (Hughes) Robertson.

Andrew Robertson was born in Nova Scotia. He was an early settler of Scranton and was employed in the coal regions of this section many years as a miner. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in Wasburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. They had the following children: Margaret, the subject of this sketch; Christopher, lives in Scranton; Daniel, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; George, lives at Seattle, Wash.; Rachel, married James Harris, lives at Newark, N. J.; Christina, married Lewis Lanman, lives at Syracuse, N. Y.; May, deceased, was the wife of Thomas Anthony; Annie, deceased, was the wife of William Dempster, Philadelphia; William and Andrew, both deceased.

Margaret Robertson was educated in the public schools of Mount Pleasant. She married William Muir, and to them were born three children: Margaret and Elizabeth, both deceased; and Andrew R., a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Muir opened a small grocery store at the Brisbane patch in the mining section. She later accepted a position with the J. D. Williams Company, ice cream manufacturers. She resigned as superintendent of the plant and became associated with the firm of Davis & Beagle, florists. She was in complete charge of the company's store for ten years, and on July 1, 1895, established a business of her own at 407 Spruce Street, where the business is now conducted by her son, Andrew R. The following year she opened a floral shop in the Mears Building in partnership with a Mr. Marvin of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.



Mrs. Margaret Robertson. Minn.

Two years later the business was moved to 430 Spruce Street, and after several years Mrs. Muir purchased the interest of Mr. Marvin, the business thereafter being known as Andrew R. Muir. Mrs. Muir conducted the florist business until the time of her death, April 11, 1927. She is buried in Dunmore Cemetery.

Mrs. Muir was a lifelong member of the First Presbyterian Church. She was an active member of the Advertising Club of America and went to England as a delegate to the International Convention of that organization, which was opened by the Prince of Wales.

Mrs. Muir had a wide acquaintance in the city and was loved by all who knew her.

Andrew R. Muir is an active and enterprising business man of Scranton who directs along very successful lines a floral business, which was established by his mother, Margaret Robertson Muir, in 1895. He was born at Shamokin, Pa., March 7, 1883, the son of William and Margaret (Robertson) Muir.

Andrew R. Muir was educated in the public schools of Scranton and attended Girard College, Philadelphia. Upon his return to Scranton he entered the employ of Millar & Peck, as a shipper of glassware and was later employed by E. A. Bartel, civil and mining engineer. He then attended the Brown Preparatory School, Philadelphia, and attended the University of Pennsylvania in 1902. He has since been identified with the floral business which bears his name.

On June 16, 1908, Mr. Muir married Miss Mabel H. Jayne, the daughter of Benton T. and Gertrude (Caryl) Jayne. Mr. Jayne was born in Wyoming County, Pa., Jan. 6, 1861. He was manager of the American Wringer Company of New York for many years. From 1903 until 1906 he served as director of public works in Scranton under Mayor Alex T. Connell; from 1906 until 1920 was registration commissioner of Scranton; and since 1920 has been connected with the Third National Bank as teller. He is a Republican and has served as a member of the school board for 16 years. He is a member of the Asbury Methodist Church. To Andrew R. and Mabel H. (Jayne) Muir has been born one son, William, deceased.

Mr. Muir is a Republican, a member of the First Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge, (Mr. Muir is a life member of both Eagles and Elks lodges and also a member of all the Masonic bodies), Liederkranz Society, Kiwanis Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Lackawanna County Motor Club, The Old Guard and Firemen's Relief Association. He is a life member of the Horticulture Society of America and belongs to the Scranton Florist Club and Florist Telegraph Delivery Association of the World.

T. L. Alexander, M. D. An experienced physician and public spirited citizen, Doctor Alexander is numbered among the representative men of Scranton, where he has engaged in the practice of medicine for more than 36 years. He was born at Chester, S. C., Dec. 23, 1867, and spent his early life there.

Doctor Alexander was graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1885 and then entered the University of New York, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1889. He spent the following two years in practice in South Carolina and since 1891 has been located in Scranton.

In 1892 Doctor Alexander was united in marriage with Miss Mary D. Cannon, of South Carolina, and to them have been born three children: Lucy H., married Frederick P. Fleuchaus, lives in New York City; Norris S., died in infancy; and Lewis, attends Manlius (N. Y.) Military School.

Politically, Doctor Alexander is a Democrat. He holds membership in the First Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is also identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State, and American Medical Associations.

F. P. Mansuy, D. D. S. The success of Dr. F. P. Mansuy in his chosen realm of professional activity is a keen appreciation of the man and his ability. As one of the leading dental surgeons of Scranton, he stands high in the community. He was born on a farm at Calvert, Pa., Oct. 6, 1884, and is a son of August and Anna (Lush) Mansuy.

August Mansuy, deceased, was a native of France. He came to the United States with his parents when a small boy. At an early age he became interested in farming and stock raising and owned a farm of 100 acres in Gamble Township, Lycoming County. He lived upon this farm until his death which occurred in 1900, at the age of 63 years. His wife, who was born in Germany, died in 1917, aged 70 years. Mr. Mansuy is buried at Calvert, Pa., and his wife in Elmira, N. Y. They were the parents of 12 children: (1). Dr. J. L., a farmer, teacher and physician, Ralston, Pa. (2). Charles J., a merchant, of Elmira, N. Y., died in August, 1925, aged 54. (3). Dr. E. A., a former teacher, now a physician, of Driftwood, Pa. (4). Emma A., was a teacher and later graduated from the Williamsport (Pa.) Hospital, is a trained nurse, lives at Elmira, N. Y. (5). John W., resides on the old homestead. (6). Margaret, died in 1917, is buried at Elmira, N. Y. (7). Ella, formerly a teacher, now a trained nurse, graduate of Williamsport Hospital, formerly a school teacher, lives at Elmira, N. Y. (8). F. P., the subject of this sketch. (9). Matthew M., deceased, was a graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, class of 1911, practiced his profession in Williamsport, Pa., until his death in 1925. Three children died in infancy. Mrs. Mansuy by a former marriage to Eliah Sweinheart, has a daughter, Mrs. Edward Aseline who now resides at Elmira, N. Y. Dr. E. A. Mansuy lost his entire family

and all his possessions during the Austin flood. He was in a hospital operating at the time of the flood.

Dr. F. P. Mansuy was reared on his father's farm and at the age of 15 years learned telegraphy. He worked at various cities in New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, after which he entered college, and was graduated from Baltimore College of Dental Surgery with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1912. He began the practice of his profession at Avis, Pa., and in 1913 came to Scranton where he has since resided. His offices are at 1906 North Main St.

On Oct. 24, 1917, Dr. Mansuy was married at the Scranton Cathedral, to Miss Alma Vetterlin of Paupack, Pa., Mrs. Mansuy is a graduate of Bloomsburg State Normal School, class of 1912. They have two sons: Frank P., Jr., born Feb. 25, 1919, and Paul Gerard, born Nov. 30, 1921. The family home is at 2014 Capouse Avenue, Scranton.

Dr. Mansuy is a member of the Catholic Church, the Catholic Club, Young Men's Catholic Club of Williamsport, the Chamber of Commerce, and Elks Club, No. 123. He belongs to the Penn State Dental Association, the National Dental Association and the Susquehanna Dental Association, and has taken a worthy and important part in the various associations activities. Politically he is a Democrat.

Andrew H. Downing, president of the Scranton Electrotpe Company, is a progressive business man of Lackawanna County. He was born in Philadelphia, May 17, 1866, the son of Thomas and Mary T. (Gibson) Downing.

Thomas Downing was born in Ireland and was three years old when his parents came to the United States and settled in Philadelphia. He volunteered for service during the Civil War and served throughout the entire war period. He was wounded during the Battle of Gettysburg and died from his injuries in 1869. He was a member of the 12th Pennsylvania Reserves. Mr. Downing had five uncles who served during this war. Mary T. (Gibson) Downing was born in Philadelphia and died in Scranton in 1925 at the age of 82 years. She is buried in the Dunmore Cemetery. She was the daughter of James Gibson who served throughout the War of 1812. To Mr. and Mrs. Downing two children were born: Andrew H., the subject of this sketch; and Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, a widow, lives in Scranton.

Andrew H. Downing obtained his education in the schools of Philadelphia, and when a youth learned the electrotyping trade, to which particular type of work he has devoted his entire life. He has lived in Scranton since 1901, at which time he started the plant, its first location being in the Howell Building, on Center Street.

The Scranton Electrotpe Company is among the more important of Scranton's industries, though it may not be a giant among them. Its finely located and well equipped plant at 1138-1144 Capouse Avenue is

the outcome of a business endeavor that has had behind it from the start an abundance of indomitable energy and attention to business by those who established it here, Andrew H. Downing and Edward G. Walford. Moreover it is the only industry of this character in this part of Pennsylvania and naturally its relation to the printing trades gives it a large field in which to work. The company receives business from practically all of Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, and other local publishing and printing houses, and notably the International Correspondence Schools, for whom they make all their plates.

On July 31, 1890, Mr. Downing was married to Miss Sarah Hemphill, of Philadelphia. They have the following children: Ella, lives at home; Thomas G., a veteran of the World War, now doing government work in Nicauranga; Andrew H., Jr., associated in business with his father, is a World War veteran, married Miss Florence Reese, of Scranton; Mary T., married William McIntosh, lives in Scranton; and Irvine, a student in the Dental School, University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Downing is a Republican, a member of Green Ridge Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Shrine, Sons of Veterans, and Chamber of Commerce.

Ralph W. Rymer.—In legal circles in Lackawanna County the name of Ralph W. Rymer is recognized as a prominent and successful attorney of Scranton. He was born at Jermyn, Pa., June 2, 1875, the son of James A. and Moselle (Brush) Rymer.

James A. Rymer was born in London, England, in 1835. He came to this country in 1849 and settled in Scranton, where he became prosperous as a builder and contractor. Later he removed to Jermyn, where he died in 1879. His wife was born at Dimock, Pa., May 20, 1845, and died in 1916. She was married the second time to Henry A. Willman, who died in 1920. To James A. and Moselle (Brush) Rymer two children were born: Dana M., deceased, was the wife of C. A. Battenberg; and Ralph W., the subject of this sketch.

Receiving his early education in the public schools of Jermyn and Carbondale, Ralph W. Rymer later attended Wyoming Seminary from which he was graduated in 1896. He then entered Wesleyan University and in 1900 received his degree from that institution. He has been active in practice in Scranton since 1902 and commands a wide and influential clientele. He has offices in the Connell Building.

Mr. Rymer was married June 28, 1916, to Carrie R. Myers, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., and a daughter of William G. and Carolyn (Rebmann) Myers. Two daughters have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Rymer, Carolyn M., and Ruth Moselle.

Mr. Rymer is a director of the First National Bank, Scranton, and a director of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company. He is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, and Abington Country Club.



Raefer W. Prymer

J. Francis Manley, D. D. S., is among the most prominent and successful young dentists of Scranton. He was born at Dunmore, in Lackawanna County, Jan. 31, 1900, the son of John M. and Elizabeth (Hastings) Manley.

John M. Manley, who has successfully engaged in the general mercantile business at Dunmore for 30 years, is a native of that place, and a member of one of the oldest families in Lackawanna County. His wife was also born here. Mr. and Mrs. Manley had seven children: J. Francis, the subject of this sketch; Mary, married John O'Mara, druggist, lives at Scranton, Pa.; Edgar, a graduate of St. Thomas College, a member of the faculty of Dunmore High School; John, a graduate of Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, lives at Dunmore; Ellen, a graduate of Stroudsburg State Normal School, lives at home; Thomas, and Catherine, both students. Mr. Manley is one of the founders and a director of the First National Bank of Dunmore.

J. Francis Manley acquired his early education in the Dunmore public schools and studied dentistry at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., from which he received his degree in 1923. He immediately engaged in practice in Scranton, where he has already established an excellent practice. He has offices in the Times Building.

Dr. Manley was married Jan. 3, 1924, to Miss Katherine M. Berrang, of Washington, D. C. They have a son, John Joseph, born Sept. 6, 1926.

Dr. Manley is secretary and treasurer of the Scranton Clinic Club, and is identified with Scranton District Dental Society, the Pennsylvania State Dental Society and the American Dental Society. He is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, Xi Psi Phi Dental Fraternity, Equity Club and Y. M. C. A.

W. J. L. Davis, M. D., who has practiced his profession in Scranton for almost 30 years, with honor and exceptional ability, is a veteran of the World War, and one of the broad minded and public spirited citizens of Lackawanna County. He was born at Paterson, N. J., Feb. 5, 1876.

After completing his early schooling at Paterson, N. J., W. J. L. Davis attended Manhattan College, N. Y. City. He studied medicine at Columbia University, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1896. He took a post graduate course in eye, ear, nose and throat from October, 1896 until June 23, 1897 under Dr. Hermanknapp at the New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute, New York City. Also a course in Infections given in the Brooklyn Health Dept., at Kingston Ave. Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y. Since that date Dr. Davis has been located in Scranton, where he has an excellent practice, with offices at 814 Mulberry Street.

During the World War Dr. Davis volunteered for service and served with the rank of captain in the 78th Division at Camp Dix, N. J. He was discharged June 2, 1919, and spent the following year in post graduate

work in diseases of children, in New York City. Since his return from service he acted for over five years as sub district medical officer of the U. S. Veterans Bureau at Scranton, Pa.

Dr. Davis was married Oct. 15, 1896, to Miss Margaret McGee, of Paterson, N. J. They have three sons: William G., a graduate of St. Thomas College, is connected with the South Side Motor Company, Scranton, married Miss Sadie Saltry of Scranton, and they have a son, William James. 2. Rev. J. Leo, a graduate of the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and New York Seminary, now engaged in missionary work in Manchuria, China. 3. Gordon P., born July 27, 1905, a graduate of St. Thomas College, a member of the Students Art League, of New York.

Dr. Davis is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral. He is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State and American Medical Associations. Dr. Davis is a Democrat.

Arthur E. Davis, M. D. No record of Lackawanna County would be complete for any period without an adequate reference to the life and work of Doctor Davis, one of the leading physicians and surgeons of Scranton and a veteran of the World War. He was born at Avoca, Luzerne County, Pa., March 25, 1887, and is the son of David D. and Elizabeth (Davis) Davis.

David D. Davis, who lives retired in Avoca, is a substantial and highly esteemed citizen of Luzerne County. Both he and his wife were born in Wales and came to this country shortly after their marriage. Mr. Davis has been a leader in the coal fields of this section of Pennsylvania for a number of years and was superintendent of the Hudson Coal Company. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis the following children were born: Mrs. G. A. Kennedy, lives at Avoca, Pa.; John D., lives at Avoca, Pa.; Thomas D., postmaster and merchant, lives at Avoca, Pa.; Rachael, lives at Avoca; William T., lives at Avoca; Elizabeth, lives at Avoca; Arthur, the subject of this sketch, lives in Scranton; Mrs. Maurice Johnson, lives at Avoca; Frances, lives at Avoca; and H. M., dentist, lives at Scranton.

Arthur E. Davis obtained his early education in the schools of Avoca. He is a graduate of Harry Hill Academy, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and in 1911 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia. He spent the following year as an interne in the Pennsylvania State Hospital, Scranton, and has since engaged in practice in this city, where he is specialist in internal medicine. Dr. Davis was one of the first surgeons in the city of Scranton to enlist for service during the World War. He entered the service as a first lieutenant, June 5, 1917, and was discharged in October, 1919, with the rank of major.

Dr. Davis was married March 19, 1921, to Miss Marjorie Searle Vandling, of Scranton, the daughter of Col. and Mrs. Frank Vandling. Col. Vandling was prominent in the Pennsylvania National Guard, and ranks among the leading capitalists of Scranton, having been a director

of the First National Bank of Scranton, and the Lackawanna Trust Company, Scranton. He served as postmaster of Scranton for one term. Doctor and Mrs. Davis have two daughters, Marjory Deborah, and Elizabeth Jane.

Dr. Davis is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, and Clemo Fishing and Hunting Club. During 1920 he served as president of the Lackawanna County Medical Society.

In politics Dr. Davis is identified with the Republican party.

Frederick Gunter, assistant cashier of the South Side Bank, is among the excellent and highly esteemed citizens of Scranton. He was born in this city, Jan. 18, 1873, and is the son of Peter and Margaret Gunter.

After completing his early schooling in the public schools of Scranton, Frederick Gunter began his business career with the L. I. & S. Company. He was later employed by the Allegheney Lumber Company for two years as a bookkeeper and spent three years in the accounting department of the Hudson Coal Company. For the past 20 years Mr. Gunter has been identified with the South Side Bank of Scranton and has been assistant cashier since 1920. He lives at 428 Birch Street.

On June 14, 1899, Mr. Gunter was united in marriage with Miss Charlotte Lengler, also a native of this city. They have two children: Ruth, married Herbert Fox, lives in Scranton; and Helen, lives at home.

Politically, Mr. Gunter is a Republican. He is a prominent member of the German Presbyterian Church and is active in Sunday school work.

George W. Smithing, editor of the Carbondale Leader, ranks high among the well known newspaper men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Scranton, June 7, 1867, and is the son of George and Minnie (Phillips) Smithing.

George Smithing, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Scranton in 1837 and spent his entire life in this section. During the Civil War Mr. Smithing enlisted in two enlistments and participated in many important battles and engagements of the war. Mr. Smithing died in 1910 and is buried in Dunmore Cemetery. His widow was born in Germany about 1850 and now resides at Dunmore. To Mr. and Mrs. Smithing the following children were born: George W., the subject of this sketch; Walter, lives at Paterson, N. J.; Louis, lives at Bethlehem, Pa.; Kathryne, lives at Dunmore, Pa.; Frank H., lives at Scranton; Edward A., a farmer, lives at Beach Lake, Pa.; and Lawrence, lives at Scranton.

George W. Smithing was educated in the public schools of Scranton and began his business career with the printing firm of M. R. Walter & Company when he was a boy of 13 years. After a number of years he

was appointed secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Scranton, but soon returned to the newspaper field and was employed in the Scranton Truth and Scranton Tribune. In 1909 he went to Seattle, Wash., as a salesman for the International Correspondence School. After a year he returned to Pennsylvania and located in Carbondale, where he accepted his present position as editor and manager of the Carbondale Leader.

Mr. Smithing was married first to Miss Rose Underwood, of Bloomfield, N. J. She is deceased and is buried at Hancock, N. Y. Later Mr. Smithing was married to Miss Contenant Stockdale, of Seattle, Wash., the daughter of Richmond and Eva Stockdale. Mr. and Mrs. Smithing have no children.

Politically, Mr. Smithing is a Republican and he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He has no club or lodge affiliations.

John J. Kearney, Vice-President of the Archbald Bank, was born and reared in Archbald, the son of Patrick Kearney and Mary (O'Boyle) Kearney. He was born June 4, 1849. As a boy he worked with his father in the Cove mines of the Delaware and Hudson Company. He was ambitious, studious, and a lover of literature.

In 1883, when thirty-four years old, he was appointed mine foreman for the Delaware & Hudson Company at Archbald, a position he held continuously for 33 years, until his retirement in 1916.

When Archbald was incorporated as a borough, Feb. 7, 1877, he was elected to the school board and served two terms. From that period until 15 years ago, he took no active part in politics. In 1912 he was drafted into public service to fill a vacancy for two years on the Archbald Borough Council, and subsequently was elected for four years during which term he was President of the Council. His hearty enthusiasm and zeal in behalf of needed public improvements are outstanding marks of his career as a councilman, and while he was president, a comprehensive plan of public improvements was undertaken and finished. Sidewalks, sewers and pavements were constructed in many sections of the borough. This important work accomplished during his tenure of office, is permanent, and a monument to his name as a progressive and leading citizen. Upon the conclusion of his term as a councilman, he was appointed treasurer of Archbald borough, an office he held with credit for a term of four years.

John J. Kearney was united in marriage with Miss Nellie E. Healey of Archbald on May 28, 1884. She died in March, 1893, in her thirty-fourth year. To Mr. and Mrs. Kearney four sons were born. Eugene W. Kearney was born May 31, 1885. He is the owner of a clothing store on Main Street, Archbald. Dr. John V. Kearney was born Dec. 28, 1886. Was graduated as a medical doctor from Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, in June, 1916. In June, 1917, enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States Army and served in France for the duration of the war. Married Miss Eileen Eagan of New York, and is located at 127 West 58th



John J. Kearney



Street, New York, where he maintains an office as an eye specialist. Francis Kearney was born Feb. 15, 1888, died February, 1889. Dr. Austin Kearney was born March 18, 1889, was graduated as a doctor of dental surgery from the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, in 1914, and served with the A. E. F. in France during the war. He married Miss Alice Cavanaugh, of Archbald. Their children are Eleanor, Austin and John Kearney. They live in Archbald.

John J. Kearney, the subject of this sketch, is one of Archbald's leading citizens. He was a promoter of the organizers of the Archbald Bank, founded in 1909. He is a member of the Board of Directors, and the vice president of that flourishing institution. In all movements for the development and benefit of Archbald and its people, he has been in the van. He is one of its esteemed and useful citizens.

Patrick Kearney, father of John J. Kearney, was a native of Ireland and emigrated to America in 1845, settling in Archbald in 1846. He was married to Miss Mary O'Boyle, also a native of Ireland. Mr. Kearney was identified with the mining industry here until his death, February 22, 1883. His wife, Mary Kearney, died Jan. 14, 1902. To Mr. and Mrs. Kearney nine children were born, as follows: John J. Kearney, the subject of this sketch; Michael J. Kearney, born December, 1850, retired and lives in Archbald. Bridget, born March 14, 1853, married Michael Hevers, lives in Archbald. Francis Kearney, born June 5, 1855, was a theological student at St. Charles Seminary, Philadelphia, at the time of his death, Jan. 9, 1875. Dr. Patrick H. Kearney, born Aug. 24, 1857. Graduated as a medical doctor from the University of Pennsylvania in 1891; was a physician and eye specialist in Scranton for 33 years. Died August 12, 1926. Mary Ann, born Aug. 5, 1860, the widow of Thomas Kelly. Lives in Archbald. Ellen, born June 4, 1862, lives in Archbald. Jennie, born May 2, 1867, married to John J. Brogan, lives in Archbald. Dr. James A. Kearney, born June 3, 1869. Graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1903; was a celebrated eye specialist in New York; was dean of the Polyclinic Hospital, at 50th Street, New York, and Professor of Ophthalmology at that institution. Died November 27, 1927.

Dr. G. M. DeWitt is a representative member of the medical profession in Scranton, where he has engaged in practice since 1900. He was born at Oxford Church, N. J., the son of Moses Allen and Lanah DeWitt.

Moses Allen DeWitt was born on the Delaware River, three miles north of Harmony Station. He followed farming in early life and later was a prospector in iron ore and slate. Mr. DeWitt died at Belvidere, N. J., at the age of 59 years. His wife is also deceased. They had one child, G. M., the subject of this sketch.

After spending his boyhood in his native city, G. M. DeWitt came to Scranton in 1881, when 19 years of age. He was interested in various

business ventures and engaged in the men's furnishing business in this city for several years, later becoming a member of the firm of DeWitt & Brooks, coal and ice dealers. In 1896 he took up the study of medicine and four years later was graduated from the Philadelphia Medical College. Upon his return to Scranton he established his present practice. He has offices in the Bowman Building.

Dr. DeWitt attends the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and was a leading member of the church choir of the First Presbyterian Church, Washington Avenue. He is nationally known as a singer, and is a member of the Maennerchor Singing Society.

Dr. DeWitt is identified with the Lackawanna County, and Pennsylvania State Homeo. Medical Society. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and is a member of Irem Temple of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Hon. John T. Loftus, former mayor of Carbondale, is among the influential and representative citizens of Lackawanna County, where he has spent his entire life. He was born at Carbondale and is the son of Patrick and Ellen (Sweeney) Loftus.

Patrick Loftus was born in Ireland, as was his wife. They were early settlers of Lackawanna County and lived at Carbondale for many years, where Mr. Loftus had mining interests. Both he and his wife are deceased. They had three sons: James, deceased; John T., the subject of this sketch; and A. F., lives at Daytona, Fla. By a former marriage, Patrick Loftus had three daughters: Catherine, the widow of John Dailey, lives at Olyphant, Pa.; Mariah, married Thomas Monahan; and Helen, deceased, was the wife of John Lear.

John T. Loftus received his education in the public schools of Carbondale and began his business career with the Liberty Discount & Savings Bank. He soon became interested in politics and served as city clerk from 1908 until 1915, at which time he was elected mayor of Carbondale. He served in this office until 1923 and has since conducted an insurance business in the City Building.

Mr. Loftus has always been a Democrat. He is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge and Knights of Columbus. Mr. Loftus has an extensive acquaintance in the community and is an excellent citizen.

W. G. Blocksidge, cashier of the Pioneer Dime Bank of Carbondale, is among the representative and widely known business men of Lackawanna County. He was born at Carbondale, Feb. 8, 1887, and is the son of John E. and Sarah (Kenworthy) Blocksidge.

John E. Blocksidge, who has been in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company at Carbondale for more than half a century, is a highly esteemed and substantial citizen of the community. He was born

in England, March 26, 1850. Mr. Blocksidge came to this country at a very early age and located at Carbondale, where he has since resided. He is a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is a Republican. Sarah (Kenworthy) Blocksidge was born at Carbondale, the daughter of Morris and Frances Kenworthy, pioneer settlers of Lackawanna County. To Mr. and Mrs. Blocksidge two sons were born: M. E., lives at Carbondale; and W. G., the subject of this sketch.

W. G. Blocksidge spent his boyhood in Carbondale and received his education in the public schools. He was 16 years of age when he entered the employ of the Pioneer Dime Bank in 1903 and after many years of faithful service with the institution he was elected cashier in 1920, in which capacity he has since served in a most capable manner.

During the World War Mr. Blocksidge volunteered for service and was sent to Camp Hancock, Ga. Shortly after his enlistment the armistice was signed and he was discharged from service.

Mr. Blocksidge is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Vestry member and is secretary of the Elkview Country Club, Carbondale Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 249; Eureka Arch Chapter, R. A. M.; Scranton Council, R. S. S. M.; Palestine Commandry, K. T.; Irem Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Irem Country Club; Scranton Club; American Legion and the Honesdale Golf Club. He has an extensive acquaintance throughout Lackawanna County and is well liked.

Dr. Walter E. Loftus, of Carbondale, is a veteran of the World War and one of the leading physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was born at Carbondale, Sept. 10, 1881, and is the son of Michael and Bridget (McNally) Loftus.

Michael Loftus, deceased, was a native of Ireland. About 1848 he emigrated to the United States and settled in Carbondale, where he was a well known brewer and coal operator for many years. He died in 1899 at the age of 70 years, and his wife, also born in Ireland, died in 1913, at the age of 72 years. Both are buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Loftus the following children were born: James J., lives at Carbondale; Mrs. T. J. McCawley, lives at Carbondale; Rev. M. E., pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Dunmore, Pa.; Mrs. John B. Jordan, lives at Scranton; Dr. Walter E., the subject of this sketch; Mary, died at the age of 21 years; Patrick, died in 1917; Mrs. J. W. Gillpatric, died in 1912; Mrs. D. T. Larkin, died in 1925; and Dr. Thomas V., who died in 1903 at the age of 28 years.

After completing his early schooling in the public schools of Carbondale, Walter E. Loftus entered Holy Cross College, and in 1910 received his degree as Doctor of Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania. He has taken post graduate work at Johns Hopkins University, the University of Pennsylvania, and at Vienna, Austria. He was connected with

the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital in Philadelphia from 1910 until 1912, and has since engaged in private practice at Carbondale, where he is well established.

During the World War Doctor Loftus enlisted and served as a first lieutenant of the Medical Corps at Base Hospital No. 14 in Tennessee. Later, he was transferred to Virginia.

On April 15, 1914, Doctor Loftus was united in marriage with Miss Mary Campbell, of Honesdale, Pa., the daughter of John L. and Julia (Walsh) Campbell, both deceased. They have two daughters: Mary, born in 1915; and Joanna, born in 1919.

Doctor Loftus is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Lackawanna County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is a member of the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital at Carbondale and is a leading citizen of the community where he has spent practically his entire life.

John M. Bates.—Active and progressive in business, John M. Bates is prominent in Scranton, where he is president of the Bates Motor Company, 515-21 Mulberry Street. He was born in Siko, Wayne County, Pa., Oct. 3, 1885, the son of Robert S. and Mary V. (Dann) Bates.

Robert S. Bates was born at Dyberry, Wayne County, Pa., July 5, 1841, and his wife is a native of Monticello, N. Y. He spent his boyhood on a farm and for many years owned and operated a large farm at Siko, Pa. In 1917 he retired and moved to Honesdale, Pa., where he died Nov. 8, 1927. Mr. Bates was a Republican, his widow now resides with her son, John M. There are four children in the Bates family: John M., the subject of this sketch; Emily L., auditor in the U. S. Government service at Washington, D. C.; Vera E., married Foster Smith, lives in Washington, D. C.; and Cora, lives at Endicott, N. Y., where she is connected with the International Business Machine Company.

John M. Bates was educated in the public schools of Wayne County and took a special teachers' training course in the Damascus and Honesdale High Schools. He taught school in Wayne County for three years, and later took two years work in the Pennsylvania Business College. He was graduated from the Pierce Business School of Philadelphia in 1912 with the highest honors of his class and then took extension work in the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating from the Scranton Branch in 1917. From 1910 until 1914 Mr. Bates was located in Philadelphia with the Jones Speedometer Company, and in February, 1914, came to Scranton, where he became associated with A. M. Baker, local Hupmobile dealer. In March, 1917, Mr. Bates organized the Bates Motor Company, which was incorporated at that time with a capital stock of \$15,000. They are distributors for the Hupmobile automobile throughout 12 counties of Pennsylvania with headquarters in



JOHN M. BATES

Scranton. In 1927 the capital stock was increased from \$15,000 to \$100,000. The company employs 30 men.

On Sept. 26, 1916, Mr. Bates married Miss Cora A. Eck, the daughter of George L. and Annie (Stabuck) Eck, the former a native of Germany and the latter of Pennsylvania. Mr. Eck is deceased and his widow resides in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Bates have been born three children: Harold Milton, born Sept. 23, 1917; Eleanor Coe, born March 22, 1924, and Marjorie Anne, born Nov. 30, 1927.

Mr. Bates is a Republican, a member of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Green Ridge Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is vice-president of the Scranton Motor Trades Association and belongs to the National Automobile Dealers Association and Pennsylvania Automotive Association.

J. F. Reynolds, an attorney-at-law, practicing at Carbondale, has been an able representative of this profession in Lackawanna County for almost 40 years, and in point of continuous service is one of the oldest members of the bar at Carbondale. He was born at Beaver Meadows, in Carbon County, Pa., Feb. 6, 1863, and is the son of Jenkin and Elizabeth (Daniels) Reynolds.

Jenkin Reynolds, deceased, was a native of Wales. He spent most of his life in Pennsylvania and was a mine superintendent and later retired to a farm in Susquehanna County, Pa. He and his wife are deceased and are buried at Clifford, Pa. They were the parents of 11 children, three of whom died in infancy. The others were: Edward, was killed while in service during the Civil War; B. D., a retired merchant, lives at South Gibson, Pa.; Elizabeth, deceased, was the wife of E. J. Evans; Jennie C., the widow of W. X. Reese, lives at Forest City, Pa.; Thomas G., deceased; Mary A., the widow of T. J. Reese, lives at Forest City, Pa.; W. E., lives at Pasadena, Cal.; and J. F., the subject of this sketch.

J. F. Reynolds spent his boyhood at Gibson, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania and attended the district schools. After his graduation from Wyoming Seminary he studied law in the offices of McCollum, Searle and Smith at Montrose, Pa., and in 1889 was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. He served as a member of the Pennsylvania State Legislature in 1896-97 and also has held the office of city solicitor of Carbondale.

Mr. Reynolds married Miss Bessie L. Tyler, of Oneonta, N. Y., the daughter of J. Newton and Louise Tyler, both deceased. Before her marriage Mrs. Reynolds was a teacher in the schools of New York state. To Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds were born two children: Mildred, married George Neely, lives at Plainfield, N. Y.; and Janice R., married Everett W. Villett, lives at Newark, N. J., and they have a daughter, Jane E. Villett.

Mr. Reynolds has always been a Republican. He holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, of which he is a trustee, and he also belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Craftsmen Club of Carbondale. He has various

business interests in the city, being president of the Carbondale Thrift & Loan Corporation, and he is also one of the directors of the Scranton Trust Company, and of Hospital for Criminal Insane at Fairview and is director of Pioneer Dime Bank, of Carbondale, Pa.

James H. Paul. Among those Pennsylvanians who have made use of themselves at their best, and of their talents and opportunities at their utmost, as well for the excellence of their own personal standing in the community as for the betterment and continuous progress of the community itself and its institutions, James H. Paul is an active representative of the highest type of the Carbondale citizen, responsive to his own clear call to leadership in the banking world, constructively aggressive to have his city known and read of to all men as a community that stands shoulder to shoulder with any city of its rating in the State in every movement both for good business and good civics. Of an old New England race on both sides of his family that proved their pioneering spirit in the founding of Bristol and Plymouth County towns, not long after the Pilgrims themselves had made their homes there, Mr. Paul has inherited all their strength of mind and purpose in performing his share in enlarging the material and business bounds of present-day Carbondale. He is an acknowledged captain in every enterprise that has Carbondale's prosperity and patriotism for incentive. In the World War, he proved that statement well; in the years preceding and in those that have followed, he is still the captain in industry, in business, and in the march of all improvement. His father was William Buel Sprague Paul, of Albany, N. Y., who died in 1912, was for years associated with the National Express Company, and was a veteran of the Civil War, having served with a New York regiment of infantry. His mother is Mrs. Mary Lucy (Ripley) Paul, of Troy, N. Y., whose ancestor, William Ripley, came from old Hingham, in England, to the new Hingham, in Massachusetts, in 1638, and because of which Mr. Paul has membership in the Founders and Patriots Society of America.

James H. Paul was born March 9, 1872, in Albany, N. Y., where he attended the public schools, coming to Carbondale in 1887, there to make his home for the rest of his life. "None of us saw the banker in embryo at that time," declares one of his lifelong friends. His first business experience had been gained in selling newspapers at the Albany railroad station, and for four months after coming to Carbondale he drove a wagon for the American Express Company. It was then that he entered the service of the Miners and Mechanics Savings Bank as clerk, having an aptitude for figures, and having had promotions through the successive grades, his practical experience has rendered him familiar with every department and every detail of the business of that institution. On Jan. 1, 1918, he was made vice-president and cashier, and on Jan. 1, 1923, he became president of the bank; and it is significant that the period

of the bank's most distinct growth and business service has coincided with the years that have elapsed since 1918.

His fellow citizens and business associates know him well as "Jim" Paul, indicative of their goodwill toward this citizen of sterling character and achievement, and of broadhanded generosity in behalf of worthy causes and institutions. He has given freely of his time and his energy, as well as of his personal means, to the advancement of a score of popular causes. During the period of the World War he organized the local Red Cross Chapter, officiated as its chairman, and during the first six months of its existence he secured over 10,000 members, this being the largest enrollment of any Red Cross Chapter in the United States in a community of similar population. He was also chairman of the Liberty Loan drives, and he personally sold over \$4,000,000 worth of bonds; and those who were associated with him in that period of National stress testify that he put in from 15 to 18 hours a day in the cause.

Mr. Paul is affiliated with Lodge No. 123, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a member of the Scranton Club, and the Westchester-Biltmore Country Club, Elkview Country Club. His religious faith is that of the Presbyterian Church.

James H. Paul married in 1897, Jessie Elizabeth Watt, of Carbondale, daughter of William Wallace and Jane (Gillespie) Watt; and they are the parents of Elizabeth Watt, who graduated at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., in June, 1925, when she received her Bachelor of Arts degree.

Scott B. Spencer, D. D. S., has to his credit nearly a quarter of a century of skillful work as a dental surgeon at Carbondale. He was born at Pleasant Mount, Wayne County, Pa., June 17, 1879, the son of William Henry and Grace (Giles) Spencer.

William Henry Spencer was also a native of Pleasant Mount, Pa., and was for many years a prosperous farmer of that section. He owned and conducted a blacksmith shop in connection with his farming interests. Mr. Spencer was a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. He died in December, 1901, at the age of 57 years, and is buried in Pleasant Mount Cemetery. His widow, who was born in England in 1848, resides at Pleasant Mount. Mr. and Mrs. Spencer were the parents of four children: May, deceased; W. A., a dentist, lives at Carbondale; Scott B., the subject of this sketch; and Earl H., a farmer, lives at Uniondale, Pa.

Scott B. Spencer grew up in his native city, attending the grammar and high schools there, and in 1901 was graduated from the Dental School of the University of Pennsylvania. Doctor Spencer spent two years in practice at Middletown, Pa., and since 1903 has been located in Carbondale, where he enjoys a large professional business.

On Dec. 18, 1901, Doctor Spencer married Miss Josephine B. Tiffany, the daughter of Rupert and Emma (Peck) Tiffany, of Pleasant

Mount, Pa. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tiffany are deceased. Doctor and Mrs. Spencer have five children: Alice, lives at home; Frances L., married Russell Havenstein, lives at Carbondale; Grace, Scott Winthrop, and William T., all at home.

Doctor Spencer is a Republican, a deacon of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Elk View Country Club, Craftsmens Club and Wayne County Hunting and Fishing Club.

Walter Burr Kramer.—Among the highly successful business men of Scranton is Walter Burr Kramer, who is assistant cashier of the First National Bank. He was born in Scranton, and is the son of Augustus and Clara (Carpenter) Kramer.

Augustus Kramer, deceased, was a native of Scranton, and the son of Augustus and Pauline Kramer, natives of Stuttgart, Germany, who came to this country before the Civil War and settled in Scranton. The elder Augustus Kramer served throughout the war with a Pennsylvania outfit. He was a moulder by trade and spent the remainder of his life in Scranton. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in Washburn Street Cemetery. His son, Augustus Kramer, died Dec. 9, 1924, and is buried in Hickory Grove Cemetery, Waverly, Pa. In his younger days he was a steel worker and later was a representative for the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company for 35 years. He retired from business in 1923. Mr. Kramer was an accomplished musician and was a member of the Old Battalion Band, 13th Regiment N. G. P., under the direction of Mr. Wm. Cogswell, and was, at the time of his death, a member of Bauer's Band of Scranton, an organization he served for over forty years. He was a Republican and a member of the German Presbyterian Church. His widow, who resides in Scranton, is the daughter of Knight and Sarah (Mordock) Carpenter, natives of Rhode Island. Mr. Carpenter, deceased, was a prominent pioneer business man of Scranton, where he served as superintendent of the old saw mill of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company for 40 years. To Augustus and Clara (Carpenter) Kramer were born two children: Walter Burr, the subject of this sketch; and Charles Augustus, who lives in Scranton.

Walter Burr Kramer spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his education in the public schools. He took a special banking course in the Wharton Extension School of the University of Pennsylvania, was president of his class, as well as president of the student body, and in 1912 was graduated from the American Institute of Banking. He worked as a clerk in the offices of the New York Ship Building Company, at Camden, N. J., until 1907, at which time he returned to Scranton, where he was employed by the Lackawanna Trust & Safe Deposit Company, which was later absorbed by the First National Bank. Mr. Kramer began as a clerk and later advanced to teller. He has been assistant cashier of the First National Bank since 1925.



WALTER BURR KRAMER

In June, 1926, Mr. Kramer was married to Miss Elysabeth Gile Wood, the daughter of Walter F. and Helen (Gile) Wood. Mr. Wood, a prominent attorney of White Plains, N. Y., is a graduate of Yale University. He was born in New York City, and his wife is a native of Worcester, Mass. Mrs. Kramer is a graduate of Proctor Academy, Andover, N. H., of Skidmore College and Syracuse University, where she specialized in the study of Hygiene and Physical Education. She was a member of the faculty of North Scranton Junior High School for one year, and taught swimming in the new Woolworth-Platt pool under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. She is greatly interested in playground work in Scranton and was captain of the Girl Scout Troop No. 46, Scranton.

Mr. Kramer is a Republican, and is affiliated with the Masonic Blue Lodge No. 94, Camden, N. J., Keystone Consistory of Scranton, Irem Temple Mystic Shrine, Irem Country Club, Scranton Advertising Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Scranton Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, and has held every office within its gift; has been its representative at ten national conventions, and was elected national secretary and member of the National Council at the convention held in Richmond, Va.

Carbondale Miners and Mechanics Savings Bank. The part that the Carbondale Miners and Mechanics Savings Bank had shared for a long period of years in the general forward trend of that community is that of a reliable ally and encouragement to every form of business endeavor, to the principles of thrift, to home building, and to social advancement at its best. An institution whose absence would now be disruptive of many of Carbondale's most substantial plans for progress in any line, this well-founded bank, established by a provident citizenship and continued throughout its career by men of the same stamp, has a large place not only in the business interest but in the goodwill and the pride of the people whom it serves, as well. And every individual officer and assistant in the bank's officary, moreover, have combined in loyal civic thought and study for the welfare of its patrons and its still greater future development.

This bank was established May 25, 1871, by a group of far-sighted business men for the purpose of conducting a general banking business, the first board of directors consisting of: John Jermyn, John Nealon, Peter Byrne, C. E. Lathrope, Hugh O'Neill, John E. Gorman, Thomas R. Lathrope, E. E. Hendrick, and Anthony Battle. The successive presidents of the bank, four in number, covering a period of more than 50 years, have been: John Jermyn, Alfred Pascoe, and L. A. Bassett, who was succeeded in 1923 by James H. Paul.

The original capital of the institution, \$50,000, was afterwards increased to \$100,000; and an official statement of Dec. 31, 1926, shows a capital resource of profits in excess of \$1,000,000.00 deposits of

\$4,462,609.16, and resources at that time of \$5,525,396.85. The original housing of this bank was on South Main Street, in Carbondale, from which a little later it was removed to North Main Street in temporary quarters while a new brick building was in process of erection across the street, that building being enlarged three times as increased business warranted. In 1915, the bank moved next door to the present magnificent structure, which in general construction and superior finish and equipment takes its rank as one of the most complete and finely equipped banking houses in Northeastern Pennsylvania. It was designed by Edward Langley, the Scranton architect, but since it was first erected it has become necessary to build additions.

The present offices of the Carbondale Miners and Mechanics Savings Bank are: James H. Paul, president; George H. Paul, vice president; Claude E. Olver, cashier; Frazier W. Lathrope, assistant cashier; Harold E. Campbell, assistant cashier; Marion I. Healey, assistant cashier. The directors are: L. A. Bassett, W. T. Colville; J. J. O'Neill, J. H. Paul, G. H. Paul, J. H. Reese, W. G. Scurry, W. W. Watt.

Dr. M. B. Finneran. One of the well known and highly esteemed of the younger physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County is Dr. M. B. Finneran, of Carbondale, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Carbondale, July 30, 1892.

M. B. Finneran received his early education in the public schools of Carbondale and later attended St. Thomas College. He then entered the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his degree as Doctor of Medicine in 1917. He spent the following year as an interne in the Jersey City General Hospital and in 1918 enlisted for service in the World War. He served with the Medical Corps as a first lieutenant and after his discharge from the service in December, 1919, Doctor Finneran engaged in private practice at Carbondale.

Doctor Finneran is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is an excellent citizen and merits the esteem in which he is held in the community. Doctor Finneran is unmarried.

John Southworth Niles, M. D. The long established physician in any community is always associated in biography with the most substantial factors that have to do with the welfare of the community in general, and that stand for good citizenship. Since he first began practice, previous to 1891, Doctor Niles has accorded his Carbondale professional activities wholly the benefit of his training and skill, and therein he has attained the full confidence and the highest regard of his colleagues and the public. An expert in the surgical department of medical science, his eminent success is based upon the lifelong attention that he has given

thereto; and in his hospital work and the extensive field of his consultation and practice, he has always maintained that valued and desirable place that he has won entirely by his own ability and effort.

Dr. John Southworth Niles, the son of Andrew Niles, M. D., and Margaret (Dorr) Niles, was born April 16, 1862, at Waymart, Wayne County, where he attended the public schools, and afterwards Pleasant Mount Academy and the Millersville Normal School. In preparation for his career, he matriculated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, where he graduated with his degree of Doctor of Medicine in the class of 1891. He has since resided in Carbondale, where he is an accomplished surgeon, his practice being entirely confined to surgery. Doctor Niles is a member of the American Medical Association, the Medical Society of the State of Pennsylvania, and the County Medical Society. He is dean and surgeon-in-chief of the General Hospital, at Carbondale; and he is chief surgeon for the Hendrix Manufacturing Company, the Carbondale Welding Company, the Carbondale Machine Company, and the Cross Manufacturing Company, and local surgeon for the Delaware & Hudson Railway Company and the Hudson Coal Company. His religious faith is that of the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. John Southworth Niles married, April 23, 1903, in Philadelphia, Bertine Hunsicker, a daughter of Newton R. and Bessie W. (Jones) Hunsicker; and they are the parents of: Rachel Alice Niles, born Oct. 3, 1904; John Southworth, Jr., born April 9, 1907; Mary Margaret, born June 3, 1909; Harry Dorr, born Nov. 20, 1912; Bertine, born May 26, 1915.

T. P. Martin, M. D. One of the most prominent of the younger physicians of Lackawanna County is Dr. T. P. Martin, who is engaged in the practice of his profession at Carbondale. He was born in Moscow and is the son of Patrick and Margaret (Sullivan) Martin.

Patrick Martin, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He emigrated to this country many years ago and settled in Carbondale, where he was employed in the coal mines. He died in 1914 and is buried in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Moscow, Pa. His widow resides at Moscow. To Mr. and Mrs. Martin the following children were born: M. J., an attorney, lives in Scranton; Jane, married M. J. Bagley, lives in Carbondale; John, lives at Goldsboro, Pa.; T. P., the subject of this sketch; Margaret, married Joseph Eagen, lives at Archbald, Pa.; Frank L., an attorney, lives in Scranton; James, lives at Moscow, Pa.; Catherine and William, both at home.

T. P. Martin first attended the public schools of Moscow and later Wyoming Seminary, from which he was graduated. He attended Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, and in 1905 was graduated from the Medical School of the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia. He spent the following two years as an interne in the Pennsylvania State Hospital, Scranton, and from 1907 until 1917 was located at Mayfield, Pa. During

the World War Doctor Martin served in France as a member of the Medical Corps, Base Hospital No. 84. After his discharge from the army in 1919 he established his present practice in Carbondale.

On June 9, 1913, Doctor Martin married Miss Phoebe Anderson, of Kirkwood, N. Y. She was a graduate nurse and at the time of her marriage was a member of the nursing staff of the Pennsylvania State Hospital, Scranton. They have a son, Robert T. Martin.

Doctor Martin is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State and the American Medical Societies. The Martin family attends St. Rose's Catholic Church, Carbondale.

William P. Jennings, whose name is well and favorably known in business and in civic and social circles in Scranton, was born in England, March 27, 1874, the son of William and Susanna (Paul) Jennings.

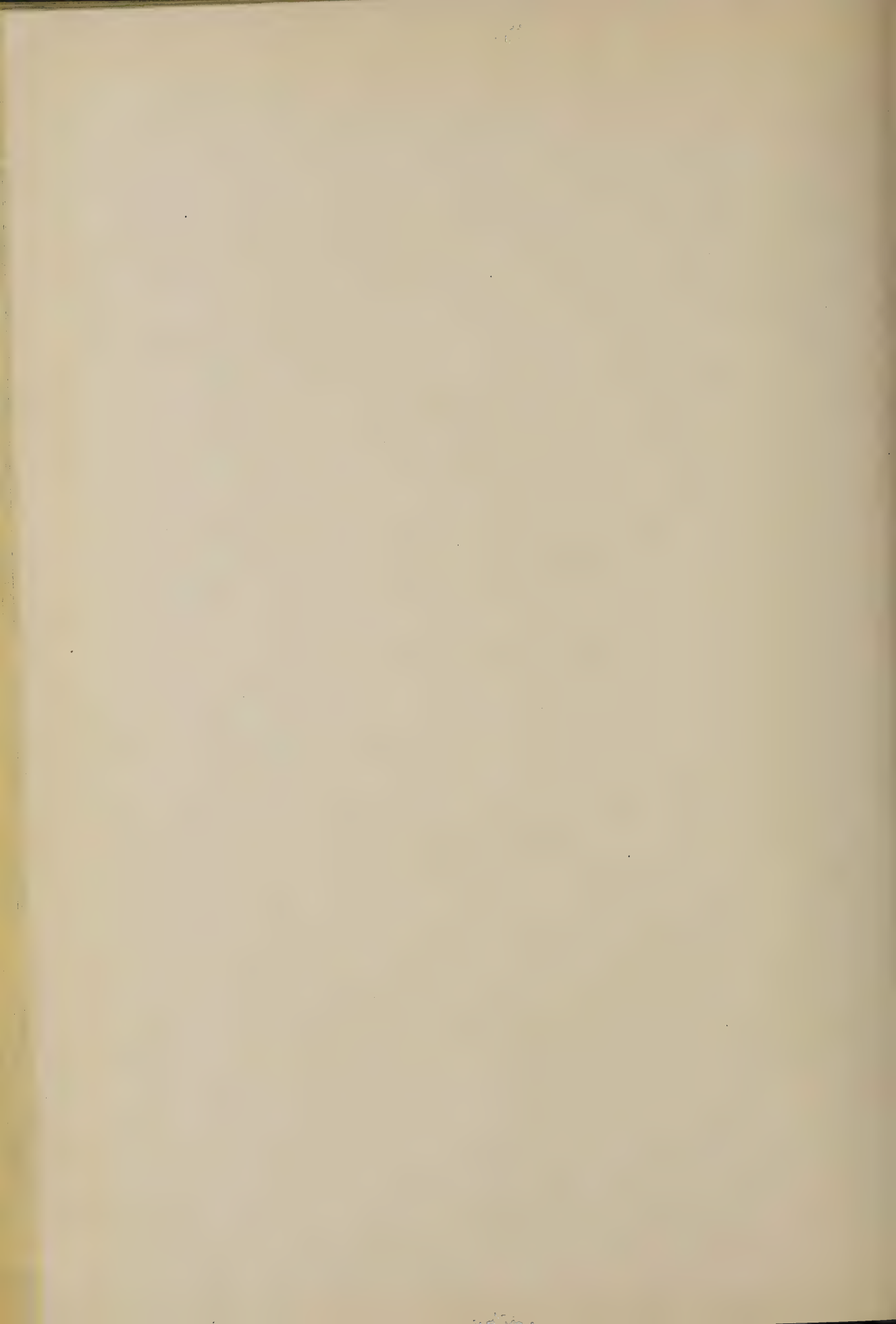
William Jennings, who lives retired at Moosic, Pa., was a native of England. He followed mining throughout his active career and has lived in the United States since 1888, having located in Scranton in that year. Later he removed to Forest City. Mr. Jennings is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife died in 1907, and is buried in the Dunmore Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings had the following children: Ada Jane, the widow of E. A. Penticost, lives at Moosic Pa.; Samuel J., president and general manager of the Cornwall Anthracite Coal Company, Columbia County, Pa., lives in Scranton; William P., the subject of this sketch; James T., power engineer, Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company, lives at Pottsville, Pa.; Joseph Paul, general superintendent of the Pennsylvania Coal Company, lives in Scranton; and Fred W., retail coal dealer, lives at Pittston, Pa.

William P. Jennings received his education in the schools of England and after his arrival in this country was employed in the coal mines at Forest City, Pa., by the Hillside Coal & Iron Company. He has been connected with the industry since early youth, when as a boy of 13 years he began work in the mines as a door boy. He steadily advanced in his work and later went with the Pennsylvania Coal Company in 1902. He resigned as general superintendent of this company in 1925, and on Jan. 1st of the following year, accepted the presidency of the Temple Coal Company. Mr. Jennings is also president of the Lackawanna Coal Company, Ltd.; president of the Mount Lookout Coal Company; president of the East Bear Ridge Colliery Company; secretary and director of the Sprague & Henwood Drilling Company; secretary and director of the A. W. Drake Drilling Company; director of the Lincoln Trust Company, Scranton; vice-president of the East Scranton Bank; and director of the Lackawanna Thrift & Loan Association. He has offices in the Board of Trade Building.

In 1904 Mr. Jennings was united in marriage with Miss Helen S. Inglis, the daughter of J. Scott and Nancy Victoria (Robinson) Inglis.



WILLIAM P. JENNINGS



Mr. Inglis was born in Roxburyshire, Scotland, Oct. 10, 1847, the son of Frank and Jeanette (Scott) Inglis, both descendants of old Scotch families. Jay Scott Inglis traveled extensively and in 1866 came to the United States, locating in Scranton. He has had various business connections in the city and is now engaged in the furniture business. To Mr. and Mrs. Inglis three children were born: William W., president of the Glen Alden Coal Company; Jessie, married B. E. Miller; and Helen Jennings. To William P. and Helen (Inglis) Jennings one daughter was born, Dorothy Inglis Jennings. She is a graduate of Miss Beard's School, Orange, N. J., and lives at home.

Mr. Jennings is a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Pittston Chapter, R. A. M., Pittston Commandery, K. T., Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre, Irem Country Club, and Westmoreland Club of Wilkes-Barre. He is also a member of the Scranton Club and Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Jennings is a Republican in politics.

Dr. Frank L. Niles, physician and surgeon, is prominent in the professional and civic activities of Carbondale. He was born at Waymart, Wayne County, Pa., Feb. 20, 1884, the son of Dr. Harry Dorr and Anna (Letz) Niles.

Harry Dorr Niles, M. D., was for many years a leading physician and surgeon of Salt Lake City, Utah. He spent his early life in Pennsylvania and was a graduate of Ohio Medical College. From 1881 until 1883 he was engaged in practice at Waymart, Pa., and spent the following five years at Garden City, Kan. Doctor Niles then located in Salt Lake City and from 1888 until 1909 engaged in active practice at that place. He died in 1909 and is buried at Canaan Corners, Wayne County, Pa. Doctor Niles was president of the Western Surgeons' Association, and president of the Utah State Medical Association. He also served as a member of the staff of Holy Cross Hospital, Salt Lake City. Anna (Letz) Niles, a native of Scranton, resides in Hollywood, Cal. To Doctor and Mrs. Niles were born two children: Elizabeth M., lives with her mother; and Frank L., the subject of this sketch.

Frank L. Niles attended the public schools of Salt Lake City and is a graduate of Mercersburg (Pa.) Academy. He attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology 1903-1907 and in 1911 received the degree of Bachelor of Science at the University of California. He then entered Columbia University, from which he received his degree as Doctor of Medicine in 1914. He spent the following two years as a member of the staff of St. Luke's Hospital, New York City, and in 1916 came to Carbondale, where he is in general practice as a physician and surgeon.

On Oct. 10, 1916, Doctor Niles was married to Miss Pauline K. Heigham, of New York City, the marriage taking place in "The Little Church Around the Corner." She is a graduate nurse of St. Luke's Hospital, New York City, class of 1912. To Doctor and Mrs. Niles have been born two

children: Andrew F., died in infancy, Nov. 28, 1918; and Elizabeth Jane, born Oct. 26, 1922.

Doctor Niles is a member of the Episcopal Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the Elk View Country Club, Scranton Club, Kiwanis Club, and Craftsmen's Club. He is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State, and American Medical Associations, and a member of the surgical staff of the Carbondale General Hospital.

John A. Dietz, who is identified with the Dietz & Matchell Lumber Company, is prominent among the energetic business men of Carbondale. He was born in Wayne County, Pa., April 11, 1881.

Mr. Dietz secured his education in the district schools of Wayne County and learned the carpenter trade. He also studied architecture and in 1901 came to Carbondale, where he became interested in the lumber business. He was associated with the lumber firm of Edgett & Patterson for ten years, after which he purchased the business in partnership with Mr. Machell, of this city. They are leading building contractors of the city also, and have erected several hundred homes in the community. The firm handles a complete line of building materials, hardware, and lumber, and carries on an enormous volume of business annually.

On Nov. 24, 1904, Mr. Dietz was united in marriage with Miss Bridget Barrett, of Carbondale, the daughter of Patrick and Bridget Barrett, both deceased. To them the following children have been born: Walter, associated in business with his father; Mary, John A., Jr., Rita, and Raymond, all at home. Three children are deceased: Louise, Viola, and one child died in infancy.

Mr. Dietz is a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus. He usually votes the Democratic ticket and takes an active interest in civic affairs.

John Black Shannon. Beginning at the age of 14 and continuing through a period of 40 years, John B. Shannon was a merchant of Carbondale. Mr. Shannon was born in the city where he has played so prominent a part on Feb. 28, 1865, son of Alexander and Elizabeth (Black) Shannon. His parents were both of pure Scottish ancestry. His father was a native of Ecclefechan, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, the town made memorable as the birth and burial place of Thomas Carlyle, where he grew to manhood upon the home farm and followed the occupation of a landscape gardener until 1850 when he crossed the ocean and settled in Carbondale. Elizabeth Black was born in Kirkcudbright, Scotland. The Shannons are members of the Clan MacDonald and the Blacks of the Clan MacGregor in Scotland. His mother came to this country in 1852 and they were married in Carbondale.

Alexander Shannon entered the employment of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company and continued with the organization until 1870. Charles and William Wurts were largely interested in that company and while under their employ Mr. Shannon laid out the park and planted the trees in what has been more recently known as the Hendrick Park, one of the finest in the valley. Mr. Alexander Shannon died in 1893 and his wife in 1904.

John B. Shannon acquired a public school education and after getting into business life he completed a special course in Cooper's Institute, New York City, and graduated from the Chautauqua, Literary and Scientific Circle, "The Hall in the Grove," in 1887. In 1879 he entered the employ of William Miller, who came to Carbondale from Lennoxville, Susquehanna County, and entered in the merchandise business, and he continued in his employ until 1883, when he entered into partnership with Mr. Miller and his father, under the firm name of William Miller & Co., and in 1886 the firm name was changed to Miller & Shannon. Mr. Miller retired from business in 1889 and the firm assumed the title of J. B. Shannon & Co. when his brother, William Shannon, was admitted to the firm. It was continued until 1919 when J. B. Shannon retired and the business has since been conducted as William Shannon & Son, Frank F. Shannon, son of William Shannon, succeeding his uncle actively in the business. This business has been and is one of the most active and successful mercantile businesses in the city since its inception.

John B. Shannon has been active in several lines of business. With the Hon. John F. Reynolds they organized the Reynshanhurst Water Company, now a subsidiary of the Scranton Gas & Water Company, which at a later date was purchased by the Scranton Gas & Water Company and made part of the Consolidated Water Supply Company, furnishing the Northern Valley of Lackawanna County with water, and Mr. Shannon was for many years general superintendant of all the companies owned by the Scranton Gas & Water Company in this section.

With the Hon. J. F. Reynolds, the late A. P. Trautwein, W. T. Morgan, now of Binghamton, and some other associates, the Pioneer Dime Bank of Carbondale, Pa., was organized by Mr. Shannon in 1903 and Mr. Shannon has served on the board of directors of the institution ever since its organization and at the present time both he and the Hon. J. F. Reynolds are members of the board.

Mr. Shannon has long been in the insurance and real estate business and with his brother William Shannon built in 1910 the block on North Main Street known as the Shannon Block, one of the finest business blocks in Carbondale, and, associated with the Hon. J. F. Reynolds, in 1913 they built what is now known as the Casino Block, corner of Seventh Avenue and South Main Street, which was one of the finest buildings erected in the city and one that has done a great deal towards making the lower section of the city prosperous. His insurance business was started in

1894 and has been conducted from that time to the present as an active agency, writing a general insurance business.

Mr. Shannon was one of the organizers of the Elkview Country Club, situated between Crystal and Newton lakes, which has done very much for this section of the county in making Crystal and Newton lakes much more desirable as summer resorts. The view from the golf links is one of the finest in Pennsylvania, if not the finest.

Mr. Shannon is a Republican and is affiliated with Carbondale Lodge No. 249, F. and A. M.; Eureka Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Palestine Commandery, No. 14, Knights Templar, of which he was Commander in 1903; Keystone Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Masons; and Irem Temple, A. A. O. N. of the Mystic Shrine, of Wilkes-Barre. He has taken an active interest in the Carbondale Kiwanis Club, of which he is a charter member. Mr. Shannon is also one of the directors of the Carbondale Thrift & Loan Corporation.

Mr. Shannon was married in 1886 to Miss Marietta Miller, of Clifford, Pa., a daughter of Adam C. and Elizabeth (Briggs) Miller, both deceased.

Sebert Wenzel, cashier of the Union National Bank, is a veteran of the World War and one of the prominent young business men of Scranton. He was born in this city, Oct. 1, 1891, the son of Edward A. and Minnie (Fries) Wenzel.

Edward A. Wenzel was born in Germany in 1864, the son of Christian Wenzel. He was six years old when his parents emigrated to the United States and settled in Scranton. His father, Christian Wenzel, conducted a meat business at Irving and Ash Streets in Scranton for many years, and is now deceased. In early life Edward A. Wenzel worked at the barber trade and later established a general mercantile business on Prescott Avenue, which he successfully conducted until 1915. Since that time he has been connected with the Lackawanna County jail as turnkey. Mr. Wenzel is a Republican and active in local politics, having served for years as committeeman of the Tenth Ward. He is a member of the Petersburg Presbyterian Church and Knights of Pythias. His wife was born in Scranton, the daughter of John and Wilhelmina (Engel) Fries, natives of Germany. To Mr. and Mrs. Wenzel the following children were born: Sebert, the subject of this sketch; Myrtle, married Charles Coffman, lives in Scranton; Louise, died in 1914; Edward A., Jr., lives in Scranton; Clarence, lives in Scranton; Mildred, married Benjamin Cadugan, lives in Scranton; Rose, and Willard, both at home.

Sebert Wenzel attended the public schools of Scranton and completed a business course at the old Anthracite College in 1907. He began his business career as a clerk with the International Text Book Company of Scranton, and since 1915 has been with the Union National Bank, having entered the bank's employ as a clerk. In January, 1924, he was



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appointed assistant cashier and on Jan. 12, 1928, he became cashier of the institution.

On Jan. 18, 1922, Mr. Wenzel was married to Miss Jessie E. DeWilde, the daughter of William V. and Elizabeth (McCulloch) DeWilde. Mr. DeWilde, deceased, was born in New York City. His widow was born in Scotland, and now resides in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Wenzel have a son, Donald Arthur, born Nov. 10, 1924.

During the World War Mr. Wenzel enlisted in the U. S. Army and was sent to Camp Lee, Va., where he was assigned to Company M, 148th Infantry, 37th Division. He served overseas with this outfit and participated in the following engagements: Baccaret Sector, Meuse-Argonne, St. Mihiel, Ypres-Lys, and Ypres-Escault. He was discharged at Camp Dix, N. J., April 8, 1919.

Mr. Wenzel is a Republican, a member of the Petersburg Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the American Legion and Chamber of Commerce. He is vice-president of the Scranton Chapter American Institute of Banking.

Edward L. Kelly, who is well known in Carbondale as the secretary of the District of Schools and also as a representative business man, is a native of Carbondale. He was born Aug. 5, 1890, and is the son of Anthony J. and Mary A. (Barlow) Kelly.

Anthony J. Kelly was born at Pittston, Pa., in 1868. He has been a resident of Carbondale for many years and is identified with the Rock-etbrook Coal Company. He is a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Kelly the following children were born: Anthony and Morris, died in infancy; Frank, lives in Carbondale; Edward L., the subject of this sketch; Mary, works at Vandling, Pa.; Joseph R., lives at Archbald, Pa.; Loretta, John, Leo, Ambrose, and Helen, all residents of Carbondale.

Edward L. Kelly was educated in the public schools of Lackawanna County, but received the greater part of his education through correspondence work. At an early age he worked in the silk mills of Carbondale, and later became interested in the insurance business. For a number of years Mr. Kelly has been superintendent of the Scranton district for the Prudential Life Insurance Company. He has held his position with the local school district since 1921 and is also treasurer of the board.

On June 2, 1915, Mr. Kelly was united in marriage with Miss Josephine G. McHugh, the daughter of John and Marian (Flannery) McHugh, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. McHugh, natives of Ireland, were pioneer settlers of Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have been born four children: Mary Marjorie, Francis, Louise, and Edward L., Jr.

Mr. Kelly has always been a Democrat. He is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

Jacob L. Druck, editor and proprietor of the *Carbondale Leader*, took up the newspaper business as a profession when a boy. He was born at Scranton, Feb. 4, 1892, son of Rev. Nathan and Martha (Leebert) Druck.

Jacob L. Druck attended grammar and high schools and served his apprenticeship in the newspaper profession with the "*Scranton Truth*." Subsequently he spent two years with the "*Scranton Republican*," seven years with the "*Scranton Times*," being for some time its political editor. Then in 1919, he became owner and editor of "*The Carbondale Leader*," a newspaper whose history follows.

Mr. Druck is a Republican. During the World War, he had charge of publicity work in his section of northeastern Pennsylvania, and was also a "four-minute" speaker. He has had a prominent part in the Young Men's Hebrew Association, serving two terms as State president and is now a member of the Executive Board. He is affiliated with Scranton Lodge, No. 123, B. P. O. Elks; and his religious affiliations are with the Anshe Chesed Congregation, Madison Avenue, and the Church of Peace, Carbondale.

He married, in 1912, Mabel L. Breschel of Milwaukee, daughter of Maurice and Anna Breschel. They have four children: Kalman, born in 1913; Marshall, born in 1916; Murray, born in 1919; and Miriam, born in 1921.

The *Carbondale Leader* has fully justified its position as the only newspaper published in this city of 20,000 population, a community rich in great manufacturing and commercial resources and the metropolis of a region in the northeastern section of Lackawanna and extending over into Wayne and Susquehanna counties. The *Carbondale Leader* is a newspaper with facilities and service probably unsurpassed in any city of the size in Pennsylvania.

It is a newspaper with an interesting history, running back to the very beginning of journalism in this section of the State. Under the name of the *Leader*, its history begins with the establishment of a weekly publication in June, 1872, by A. W. Cook, at that time one of the best known newspaper men in Pennsylvania. Mr. Cook, in 1877, sold the *Leader* to M. H. Barber and from him the following year, Dwight N. Lathrop acquired it. Dwight N. Lathrop took into association with himself his father, Charles E. Lathrop, and his brother, Edward D. Lathrop. It was under the Lathrops that the *Leader* grew and expanded into a real newspaper, becoming a semi-weekly, then a tri-weekly, and in 1887 was first published as a daily. With the death of D. N. Lathrop, the ownership of the *Leader* passed to Charles E. Lathrop and Edward D. Lathrop, the former as editor and the latter as business manager. Finally Charles E. Lathrop retired and Edward D. Lathrop remained as sole owner until the beginning of the present management and control.

Until a comparatively few years ago, Carbondale had the *Leader* as its daily paper and also a weekly publication called the *Advance*. The history of the *Advance* runs back further than that of the *Leader*. A Whig

newspaper, called the Lackawanna Journal, was started in 1849. The name was changed in 1851 to the Carbondale Transcript and Lackawanna Journal by the founders, George M. Reynolds and Dewitt C. Kitchen. Mr. Kitchen retired from the firm immediately, and in 1857 the paper passed to R. M. Willoughby, the title being changed to the Carbondale Advance. In 1858 the Advance was purchased by Dr. C. E. Burr and George M. Reynolds, and in 1858 was sold to S. S. Benedict, who subsequently sold it to the Lathrops. The same family acquired and operated the two papers, the Advance being the weekly edition of the Leader.

On May 1, 1919, Mr. E. C. Lathrop sold the Carbondale Leader and the Advance to Jacob L. Druck, present proprietor, who eliminated the weekly publication, the Advance, so that the Carbondale Leader properly inherits the history of both publications.

The Carbondale Leader on May 1, 1922, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary in a jubilee number. The editors of the Leader from its founding have been Charles E. Lathrop, W. M. Lathrop, Hon. S. S. Jones, W. B. Gritman and George W. Smithing. The city editors have been W. M. Lathrop, J. N. Gelder, and W. H. Connaughton. Under the present organization, J. L. Druck is editor; George W. Smithing, managing editor; and W. H. Connaughton, city editor.

James J. Crane. Standing high among the educational men of Lackawanna County, James J. Crane, of Carbondale, has honorably earned the position he occupies in his profession as district superintendent of the Carbondale schools. He was born in this city, Feb. 11, 1894, the son of James and Hannah (Barrett) Crane.

James Crane, deceased, was a native of Dublin, Ireland. He came to this country when he was 16 years old and settled in Philadelphia, later removing to Pittsburgh. He was a professional glass blower and for many years lived in Carbondale. Mr. Crane was interested in the breeding of pure bred horses and owned numerous fine horses during his life. He was living retired at the time of his death in 1918. Mr. Crane was a Democrat and a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, Carbondale. His wife, a native of Carbondale, died in 1916 at the age of 68 years. She was the daughter of Michael Barrett, one of the city's first settlers. To Mr. and Mrs. Crane the following children were born: Mathew, died at the age of two years; James, died in infancy; Alice and Hannah, both deceased; Michael, lives at Carbondale; Bernard and Thomas, live in Carbondale; Mrs. Charles Weidner, lives in Carbondale; Mrs. Thomas Heenan, lives at Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Joseph Hessling, lives in Carbondale; and James J., the subject of this sketch.

James J. Crane grew up in Carbondale and received his education in the public schools. He later attended Stroudsburg State Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1913. He then taught in School No. 10

in Carbondale for three years, after which he was principal for two years in Parish Hall School, and one year as principal of Woodrow Wilson School, serving as a member of the high school faculty seven years. Mr. Crane was elected to his present position as district superintendent of schools in April, 1926, and is the youngest man in the county to hold this school position.

Mr. Crane was married, Aug. 22, 1918, to Miss Sarah R. Moore, of Carbondale, the daughter of P. J. and Anna (Brislin) Moore. They had a daughter, Marion, who died in infancy.

Mr. Crane is a Democrat in politics, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Holy Name Society.

Hon. John F. Durkan, former mayor, is one of the most prominent men in Scranton where he is one of the most valuable to his city. He was born in Scranton, Sept. 30, 1875, a son of Professor Patrick F. and Sarah (Filan) Durkan, a sketch of whom appears in this volume.

John F. Durkan was educated in the public schools of Scranton, Saint Patrick's High School, and Saint Thomas' College. Upon leaving college he entered the employment of the Lackawanna Railroad and later engaged in the undertaking business with establishments in Scranton and West Scranton. He was one of the founders of the Scranton Surface Protective Association and for ten years served as its president. He was the non-partisan candidate for mayor against Alexander Connell in 1917 and lost by a very small margin. In 1921 he filed on both Republican and Democratic tickets in the morality primaries capturing the Democratic nomination and came within less than a thousand votes of securing Republican nomination and was elected over the Republican nominee, Gomer Davis, by some 3,000 votes.

Mr. Durkan was elected on a Surface Protective platform and clung steadfastly to the principles of surface support as advocated by the Scranton Surface Protective Association, with the declaration by the supreme court that remedial mine cave legislation enacted by the Pennsylvania legislature was unconstitutional, Mayor Durkan, through conference and cooperation was able to prevail upon the coal companies to exercise care in mining and repair the unavoidable damage. He believed in suppression not segregation or regulation of vice and stood out for law enforcement.

During the coal strike in 1922 Mr. Durkan assembled the mayors of the Anthracite region, conferred with President Harding and President Lewis of the united mine workers and eventually succeeded in having the contending parties confer and agree. He supported the annexation of boroughs in the interest of a greater Scranton. In 1922 he discharged four members of the Board of City Assessors for trying to conceal and frustrate his efforts to bring about equalization of taxation in the city. He also moved to prevent gouging of coal prices during the



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strike to protect the people of Scranton. In June, 1923, the National Retail Coal Merchants in session at the Hotel Casey, proposed Mr. Durkan's name as a candidate for governor.

In May, 1925, Mayor Durkan presented a big developing plan advocating the extension of Lackawanna Avenue through to Keyser Valley by means of a viaduct and the widening of Lafayette Street, the erection of a union station for all of the railroads, a terminal for housing produce. In January, 1923, he was active in an effort to settle the Railroad Shop Men's strike. In December the same year he refused a \$1,500 a year salary boost on the ground that he would accept only an increase proportionate with the increase given the city employees.

During the Miners' strike in 1925, Mayor Durkan was again in the fore rank as a conciliator and finally through his efforts the miners and operators renewed their conference. In April, 1925, the Federal Mediators commended the attitude of Mayor Durkan in his activity in preventing the local street car strike.

Mayor Durkan's term expired Dec. 31, 1925. His administration was marked with progress and development, during his four years all records for general paving and all records for pave repair work were broken. His administration was clean from head to foot and was typical of the man himself. He has been generally recognized as one of the best mayors Scranton ever had. He alone was mayor of Scranton.

On Aug. 19, 1902, Mr. Durkan was married to Miss Margaret Rees, a daughter of William and Mary Rees of Scranton. Their children are: Mary, Margaret, Frances and Gene.

Dr. Barnett Golden, well known throughout Lackawanna County as a Doctor of Optometry, with offices at Carbondale, is a native of Germany. He was five years old when his parents, Ralph and Ida (Winkelstein) Golden, came to this country and located in Syracuse, N. Y.

Ralph Golden, retired, has been a highly esteemed citizen of Syracuse, N. Y., where he engaged in the grocery business. Mrs. Ralph Golden is also a native of Germany. To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Golden the following children were born: Barnett, the subject of this sketch; Irving, lives in Scranton; Mrs. Burt Goldberg, lives at Syracuse, N. Y.; William, lives in Scranton; Abraham, lives in Carbondale; Shirley, Carbondale; Harry A., Doctor of Optometry, and Mrs. Max Pulver live in Scranton; and Isadore, died in May, 1919, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dr. B. Golden was reared and educated in Syracuse, N. Y., and studied optometry with his uncle, Dr. L. Winkelstein, who is now deceased. He engaged in practice at Hawley, Pa., for one year, then located at Honesdale, Pa., where he practiced three years, and for the past 19 years has had offices in Carbondale, where he has an excellent practice. Doctor Golden has also taken post graduate work in the South Bend (Ind.) Optical College and in the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry at

Philadelphia. In April, 1927, he removed to his present location in the new Golden Building, which was erected by him. It is an arcade building, the only structure of its type in the city.

On Jan. 2, 1910, Doctor Golden was united in marriage with Miss Mollie Goldman, of Rome, N. Y. To them have been born four children: Harold, born Sept. 4, 1911; Ann  tte, born Dec. 15, 1913; Earl, born Aug. 20, 1920; and Arthur, born Nov. 18, 1922.

Doctor Golden is independent in politics. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree; Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Y. M. C. A., Kiwanis Club, Zionist Organization of America, American Optometric Association; Pennsylvania Optometric Association, Northeastern Pennsylvania Optometric Association, of which he is now treasurer, and has served on the executive committee of the State society, and Chamber of Commerce. He is president of the Educational Branch of the Society of Peace Synagogue and is active in all local charitable and community movements.

Thomas W. Loftus, who has served as principal of Carbondale High School since 1909, ranks high among the educators of Lackawanna County. He was born in Carbondale, where he has spent his entire life.

After completing his early schooling, Thomas W. Loftus entered Millersville State Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1898. He then taught in the Carbondale schools in the primary department and continued as a member of the faculty until his appointment as principal of the high school.

In 1908 Mr. Loftus was married to Miss Maude Haigh, of Carbondale. She is a graduate of the Scranton Conservatory of Music and taught music for several years before her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Loftus have four children: Florence, a graduate of Carbondale High School, attends Drexel School, Philadelphia; Louise, attends Roosevelt School, Carbondale; Roscoe and Marion, both at home.

Ray Barbour, president of the school board of Carbondale, is a native of this city and a substantial business man of the community in which he has spent his entire life. He was born June 7, 1886, the son of James and Margaret (Carden) Barbour.

James Barbour was born in England and was an early settler of Carbondale, where he was employed in the coal mines. He died Oct. 10, 1926. His wife died April 2, 1890, and they are buried in St. Rose Cemetery, Carbondale, Pa.

Ray Barbour was reared by his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Carden, the former a native of Ireland and a pioneer settler of Carbondale, and the latter a native of Carbondale. Ray Barbour was only three years old when his mother died and he then made his home

with the Carden family. He was educated in the public schools of Carbondale and at an early age learned the barber trade. For many years Mr. Barbour has owned and conducted the city's leading barber shop and is widely known. He has served as president of the local school board for many years.

Mr. Barbour was married to Miss Dora Schimmel of Carbondale. They have six children: Ray, Frank, Dorothy, James, Jerome, and Anna, all at home.

Politically, Mr. Barbour is a Democrat. He is a member of the Catholic Church and Holy Name Society of St. Rose's Church of Carbondale, Pa.

E. G. Norton, cashier of the Simpson State Bank, is one of the representative young business men of Lackawanna County. He was born at Olyphant, Pa., June 3, 1896, and is the son of Edward and Margaret (Casey) Norton.

Edward Norton was born in Albany, N. Y., and was interested in mining during his active business career. He settled at Olyphant in early life and died there when 59 years of age. His widow, who was born at Troy, N. Y., resides at Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. Norton had the following children: William, died while in service during the Spanish-American War; Bessie, deceased; Mary, married John J. McNulty, lives at Olyphant, Pa.; Mrs. T. P. O'Malley, lives in New York City; Agnes, unmarried, lives at home; Margaret and Elizabeth, live at Olyphant; Theresa, the widow of James Cassiday, lives at Olyphant; Gertrude, married William Loftus, lives at Olyphant; and E. G., the subject of this sketch.

E. G. Norton attended the public schools of Olyphant and is a graduate of the Lackawanna Business College and Wharton School of Finance. He began his banking career in a clerical capacity with the Lackawanna County Savings Bank at Scranton, and six years later resigned as teller of that institution. He was then connected with the Olyphant Bank as paying teller for five years. He was one of the organizers of the Simpson State Bank at Simpson in 1925 and has since served as cashier.

On Aug. 4, 1924, Mr. Norton was married to Miss Esther McLaughlin, of Olyphant, the daughter of Michael and Margaret McLaughlin, both deceased.

Mr. Norton is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, Carbondale, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus.

The Simpson State Bank was organized Jan. 17, 1925, with a capital stock of \$50,000, and a surplus of \$10,000. Officers of the bank are: M. H. Curnow, president; Thomas F. McGee, vice president; Joseph R. Kielar, vice president; and E. G. Norton, cashier. The directors are: Thomas J. Mulholland, Peter Krantz, John Drob, Matthew H. Curnow, Jacob Pecho, Stephen Trumbetas, Maurice V. Cummings, Martin Berg,

Thomas F. McGee, Walter Bambas, Stanley Wassel, John R. McGinniss, Peter Terpak, John Rierdon, John Merena, John Howard, John Banko, John H. Campbell, Dr. Joseph R. Kielar, John V. McCarthy, and Joseph Rosenbluth.

Supporting the service of the Simpson State Bank stand the four symbolic pillars of ample resources, available assets, sound management, and strict observance of banking laws. Each of these plays its part in the stability of this institution and the dependability of its service.

Professor Patrick F. Durkan, deceased, was a native of County Mayo, Ireland. He spent his early manhood in Lancashire, England, where he completed an education begun in the schools of his native town.

At an early age young Durkan gave evidence of unusual talent in literature. He wrote for local publications in Lancashire and contributed to magazines of local and national distribution. At the age of 19 he wrote the poem, "Alice O'Connor," which has been widely published and generally considered of a high order of epic poetry.

He came to America in the early seventies and took up the vocation of teaching. In those days schools were few and far between, and the teachers were poorly paid and boarded around.

Young Durkan's first assignment was at St. Joseph's in Susquehanna. Later he came to Scranton and with Professors Rooney, Lovern and Regan, he became associated with the Scranton school district.

He married Sarah Filan, to whom two sons were born, one of them Rev. Patrick Durkan, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Athens, Pa., and John F. Durkan, former mayor of Scranton.

In all, Professor Durkan served more than a half-century in the teaching profession and during this period wrote extensively. His poems appearing in the local papers were widely copied and widely distributed. Prior to his death he published a collection of his poems in book form. The book was reviewed by Maurice Francis Egan, one of America's foremost critics. His review was a splendid tribute to what he called, "The poetic genius of the author."

Ernest Griebel. Some of the most successful business men of Carbondale, as elsewhere, are those who are of foreign birth and training, who, coming to this country, have taken advantage of the opportunities here offered, and built up flourishing concerns which reflect credit upon them and their abilities. One of these representative citizens is Ernest Griebel, president of the Griebel Instrument Company, manufacturers of glassware instruments, ninety per cent of the product being used by the United States Government.

Ernest Griebel was born at Manebach, Thuringia, Germany, in 1871, a son of Wilhelmina (Prefsler) Griebel. The father was an expert work-

man, and for years was superintendent of a porcelain factory, but his death occurred in 1918, and so terminated his career of usefulness. Completing his education in the public schools of Germany, Ernest Griebel spent four years learning his trade of a glass blower in his native town. Following the completion of his apprenticeship Mr. Griebel worked at his trade in all of the large cities of Europe until 1899, and then, in that year, came to the United States, and after six years spent in New York City, with the firm of Eimer & Amend, came to Carbondale, and with A. P. Trautwein, formed the firm of Carbondale Instrument Co., which operated under the present name of the Griebel Instrument Company. This partnership was continued until 1914, when, upon the death of his associate, Mr. Griebel incorporated his present company, retaining the old name. He is president of the company, his wife is vice-president, and his son general manager.

On March 14, 1894, Mr. Griebel was married to Clara E. Heyn, and they have had eight children, as follows: Hattie, born in 1895, married Thomas Duffy, Carbondale; Richard, born in 1897, associated in business with his father; Olga, who was born in 1899, died in 1905; Anna, born in 1901; Eddie, born in 1907; Dora, born in 1908; Walter, born in 1910; and Ernest, Jr., born in 1919. Mr. Griebel belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The Carbondale Lutheran Church holds his membership.

Dr. M. E. Malaun is a leading physician and surgeon of Carbondale, where he has successfully engaged in the practice of his profession since 1896. He was born at Hampton, Pa., Nov. 19, 1867, the son of Lemuel and Wealthy Ann (Merryman) Malaun.

Lemuel Malaun, deceased, was a Civil War veteran. He was born at Hampton, Pa., in 1841, and died in 1894. Mr. Malaun was a large land owner and successful farmer during his life. His wife died in 1921 at the age of 76 years. Mr. and Mrs. Malaun had four sons: Howard Randolph, lives at Jackson, Mich.; Albert Milton, retired, lives at Hampton, Pa.; M. E., the subject of this sketch; and William B., lives at Hanover, Pa.

M. E. Malaun acquired his early education in the district schools and in 1891 was graduated from Millersville State Normal School. He received his degree as Doctor of Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania in 1895 and spent the following year as an interne at Chester, Pa. He has since been located at Carbondale, where he is well and favorably known.

In 1897 Doctor Malaun was united in marriage with Miss Maybert Hunter, a native of Scotland, and a daughter of Thomas and Helen Hunter, both deceased. They have two children: Murvington H., a graduate of Carbondale High School and Bucknell University, now a traveling representative for the National Drug Company, Philadelphia, married

Miss Beatrice Baker of Carbondale and they have two children, Jean and Murvinton H., Jr.; and Elizabeth, a graduate of Carbondale High School and Bryn Mawr College, Philadelphia. She is connected with the biological laboratory of the Medical Department of Cornell University.

Doctor Malaun is a Republican and is prominent in the affairs of the Lackawanna, Pennsylvania, and American Medical Associations.

William Wallace Watt. Made up as this country now is of all the races and all the elements of humanity, there is no more sturdy stock than the Scotch, who gave integrity to the country long ago, and who leaven its mass today, or help to leaven it.

William Wallace Watt is one of the best known real estate men of Carbondale, Lackawanna County, Pa., where he has spent the greater part of his life. He is a grandson of Andrew Watt, a native of Scotland, a wheelwright by trade, who emigrated to this country in 1817. He settled at High Bridge, N. Y., where he resided until 1825, when he removed to Canaan Corners, Pa. Here he followed his trade for many years. He married, and his family consisted of seven children: John, Andrew, Matthew, Agnes, Sarah, Elizabeth and Mary.

John Watt, father of William Wallace Watt, was born in Scotland in 1809. He served an apprenticeship at the trade of wheelwright, and followed it for several years. In 1842 he removed from Canaan Corners, where the greater part of his early life was spent, to Carbondale, and after working there at his trade for a time he entered the service of the Delaware & Hudson Company as a pattern-maker. However, his enterprise led him in 1850 to engage in the milling business at Providence, and in connection with this he opened a feed store in Scranton, which he operated with fair success for several years. He later opened a general store in Carbondale, under the firm name of John Watt & Sons. This continued up to 1884, when John E. and William Wallace, sons, bought out the firm. The father was a healthy, rugged man, a Christian, and a liberal-minded and progressive citizen. He was a believer in and a staunch supporter of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Harriet M. Freeman, a native of Tolland County, Conn., was married to John Watt. Their children were: 1. Andrew, born in 1833, and died Aug. 11, 1901. 2. John E., born in 1835, died June 5, 1901, he was married to Martha Wells, of Wilkes-Barre; she bore him four children: William E., Frederick G., Mary E., and Clara. 3. William Wallace, of further mention. 4. Sarah E., born in 1842, deceased; she was the wife of Alfred Pascoe, and mother of three children: Helen I., Harriet M., and Edwin W. Pascoe. 5. Bell, born in 1845, the wife of Daniel Scurry; four children were the issue of this union, two of whom were Walter G. and Helen Scurry. In 1881 Mr. and Mrs. Watt celebrated their golden wedding in the presence of a large company of friends and relatives. In June, 1885, after they had lived together happily for 54 years, during

which period Mr. Watt had never been confined to bed by illness, he passed away at the age of 77 years. His wife died Sept. 27, 1902, at the extreme age of 91 years.

William Wallace Watt was born at Canaan Corners, Jan. 1, 1838. When he was four years old his parents removed to Carbondale, and in the schools of that city he received a practical education which thoroughly qualified him for the duties and responsibilities of life. He has long been one of the substantial business men of that section of Pennsylvania, devoting a great deal of attention to real estate transactions, from which he has derived a goodly income. He is a director in the Miners and Mechanics Savings Bank of Carbondale. Mr. Watt is a model citizen, public-spirited and patriotic, with a strong civic interest and many admiring friends.

Mr. Watt was married, in 1863, to Mary J. Gillespie, also of Scotch parentage. Their children are: 1. Margaret, born in 1864, who became the wife of William Hankins, and they are the parents of three children: Wallace W., Nathaniel R., and Isabella W. Hankins. 2. Maurice G., born in 1869; married Gertrude Raynor; they had no children. 3. Jessie E., born in 1874, who became the wife of James H. Paul, and they have one daughter, Elizabeth W. Paul. 4. Isabella F., born in 1880, the wife of Thomas S. Atherton, of Scranton, and mother of two children: Thomas Sayre Atherton and Mary Wall Atherton. Mr. Watt retired during the year 1920.

R. M. Richardson. One of the leading and successful young business men of Carbondale is R. M. Richardson, proprietor of the Richardson Baking Company. He was born in Scranton, Oct. 3, 1890, the son of Robert and Helen C. (Perry) Richardson.

Robert Richardson, deceased, was a native of Scranton. He spent many years in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a machinist. He died in 1892 at the age of 40 years and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Richardson five children were born: Elizabeth Mills lives in Scranton; Mrs. Susan Jenkins, Mrs. Anna Casese and Mrs. Helen Evans, all deceased; and R. M., the subject of this sketch.

Helen C. (Perry) Richardson was later married to Leyshom Evans, a native of Cardiff, Wales. He was an early settler of Scranton and prominent in the city's political life for many years. He died in 1922 and is buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. Mrs. Evans resides in Scranton. By her second marriage the following children were born: Mrs. Esther Herring, lives in Scranton; Mrs. Bertha Stuckart, lives at Brooklyn, N. Y.; Evan C., lives at Carbondale; Mrs. Isabel Hoffman, lives in Scranton; Marcus and Theodore, both deceased.

R. M. Richardson was reared in Scranton and attended the public schools there. He began his business career in the bakery of J. D. Wil-

liams, and in 1912 became a member of the firm as well as sales manager. In 1916 Mr. Richardson became identified with the Scheuer Baking Company at Scranton, and in 1919, went with the Ward Baking Company as sales manager for Lackawanna County. Since 1920 he has owned and operated the Richardson Baking Company which has an extensive trade throughout Lackawanna County.

On Dec. 30, 1916, Mr. Richardson was married to Miss Gladys Edwards of Carbondale. She died March 5, 1924, and is buried in Brookside Cemetery, Carbondale. She was the daughter of Robert Edwards, who died in Carbondale in 1913. His widow resides in this city. To Mr. and Mrs. Richardson a son, R. Edward, was born, Nov. 9, 1918.

Mr. Richardson is a Republican, a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church and Kiwanis Club.

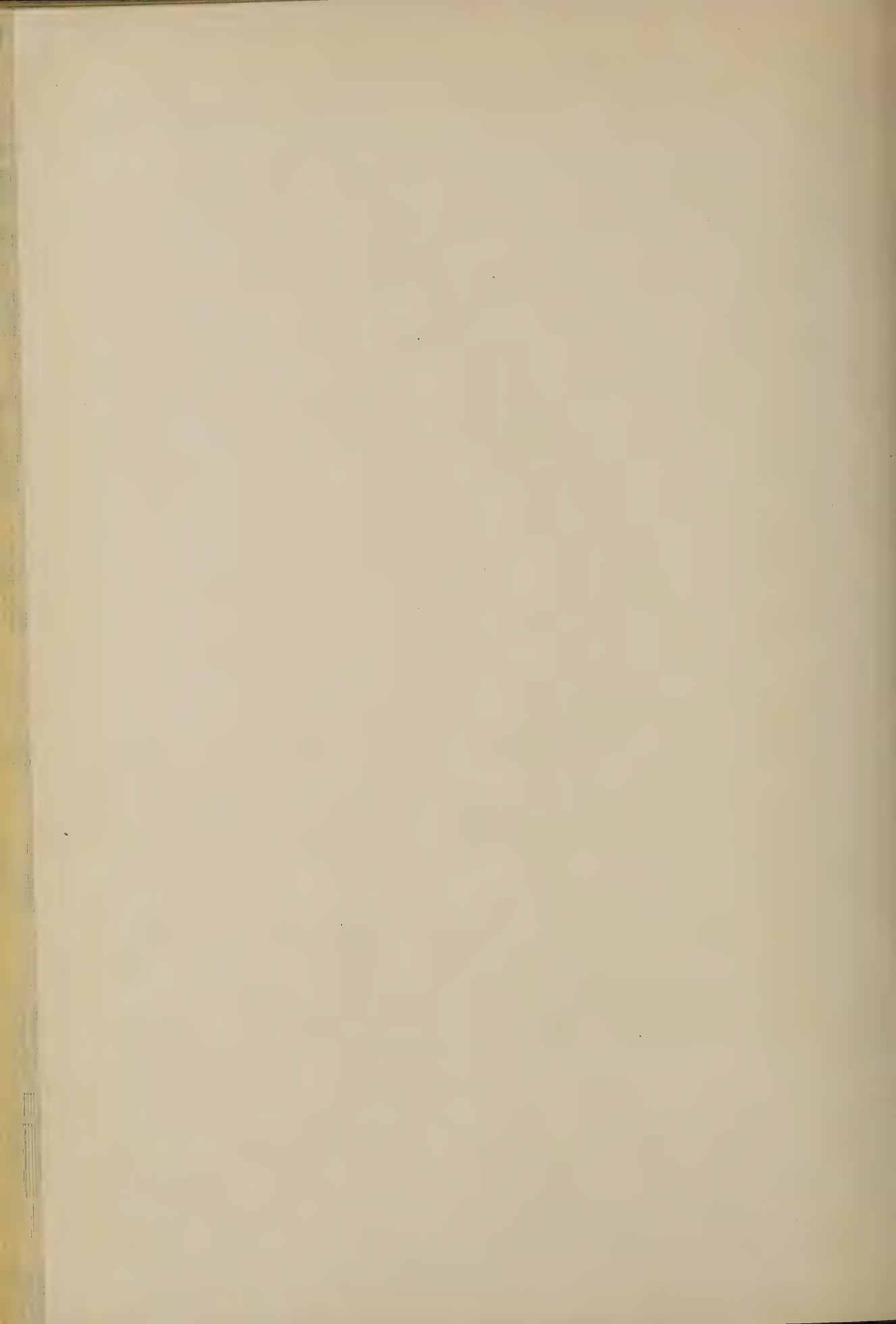
Allan K. Lawrence.—Not only throughout northeastern Pennsylvania but all over the United States the name of Lawrence is identified with band music. Few musical organizations of this class in the last quarter of a century have become more celebrated the country over than what is now the regimental band of the 109th Pennsylvania Infantry. Its founder and organizer was Allan K. Lawrence, well known citizen and skilled musician of Scranton.

Allan K. Lawrence was born at Bethany, Wayne County, Pa., Aug. 23, 1864, the son of Milton and Charlotte M. (Brink) Lawrence, both natives of Bethany. Milton Lawrence was born in 1835, the son of John Lawrence, who came to Bethany in 1830 from New York, where he was born in 1808. He followed blacksmithing and was succeeded in this work by his son, Milton. His death occurred in 1912 and that of the mother in 1900. They were quiet, substantial people, highly respected in the community in which they lived.

Musical genius developed early in Allan K. Lawrence, and he was given instruction under thoroughly competent teachers of Grand Rapids, Mich., and his evident talent early determined his choice of a life career. For some time in early manhood he was in the music profession at Grand Rapids and at Saginaw, Mich., but it was after his return to Pennsylvania that on Jan. 2, 1894, he organized and founded Lawrence's Band and Orchestra, which under his direction ever since has won prizes and trophies, both in war and in peace, for the last 30 years. At the time of organization the band membership was limited, but from that group of skilled band musicians a body of 250 has been developed, it now being the largest organization in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Mr. Lawrence has practically devoted his life to the work of bringing this organization to its present state of perfection. During the World War, when it became the regimental band of the 109th Infantry, Mr. Lawrence, with the rank of warrant officer, continued as director and manager. For the past 30



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years Mr. Lawrence has also engaged in business at 311 Adams Avenue, Scranton, where he carries a complete line of musical instruments.

Mr. Lawrence was married Feb. 8, 1888, to Louise Manning, of Bethany, the daughter of David Manning. They have four children: Charlotte Isabel, born May 22, 1893, married Henry Reiser, lives at Miami, Fla., where Mr. Reiser is assistant superintendent of mails; Karl M., born Jan. 30, 1900, lives at home, is orchestra leader for the West Side Theatre, Scranton; Harriet L., born May 25, 1901, married William Johnson, lives in Scranton; and Gertrude H., born in July, 1902, lives at home.

Mr. Lawrence is a 32nd degree Mason, a member of Union Lodge No. 291, F. and A. M., Scranton; and he is a Shriner. He also belongs to the Elks and Eagle Lodges. In politics he is a Republican. The family attend the Episcopal Church. He has been president of Local No. 120, American Federation of Musicians, for a number of years.

M. P. Danque, D. D. S., is one of the leading dental surgeons of Carbondale, where he has been engaged in practice for the past three years. He was born at Waymart, Wayne County, Pa., Aug. 5, 1901, the son of J. C. and Mary E. (Pearce) Danque.

J. C. Danque is a native of Pennsylvania, born at Honesdale. He has been a resident of Waymart for many years. To Mr. and Mrs. Danque five children were born: Merle, a graduate of Syracuse University, now a missionary in India; M. P., the subject of this sketch; Pearce, attends Temple University, Philadelphia, where he is studying dentistry; Margarite and Ruth, both at home.

Receiving his early education in the public schools, M. P. Danque later attended the Dental School, University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his degree in 1924. He has since been actively engaged in practice in Carbondale.

Doctor Danque was married, Feb. 4, 1926, to Miss Clara Louise Cramer, a native of Carbondale, and formerly supervisor of music. They have two children: Nanette and Marcena Cramer.

Doctor Danque is a member of the Scranton Dental Society, Pennsylvania State Dental Society, and American Dental Association. He holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge, and Delta Sigma Delta fraternity.

E. M. Holcombe is numbered among the highly successful business men of Carbondale, where he is connected with the Carbondale Machine Company as vice president and secretary. He was born at Lambertville, N. J., May 29, 1879, and is the son of Alexander H. and Malvina Kay (Mentz) Holcombe.

Alexander H. Holcombe was born at Lambertville, N. J. in 1821, the son of Emley Holcombe, who was prominent in the early history of that

section. He was a prosperous merchant and during the Civil War served as mayor of Lambertville. Emley Holcombe was one of the founders and an Elder of the Lambertville Presbyterian Church, which was organized in 1821. His son, Alexander H., was a merchant in early life and later engaged in the practice of law for 35 years. He was also prominently identified with the affairs of his native city and served as mayor for eight years. Throughout the Civil War he held the rank of Colonel. He died in 1886 at the age of 65 years, and his wife, who was born in 1839, died in 1906. To Mr. and Mrs. Holcombe the following children were born: Elizabeth, married Charles M. Dilts, lives at Lambertville, N. J.; William, born in 1871, died in 1924; Alexander H., lives at Cynwyd, Pa., Marguerite, married Dr. L. T. Salmon, lives at New Hope, Pa.; and E. M., the subject of this sketch.

E. M. Holcombe acquired his early education in the public schools of Lambertville and was later graduated from the Stevens Institute of Technology, with the degree of Mechanical Engineer. He began his professional career with the Warwick Iron & Steel Company and was later connected with the Cuba Company of New York City. In 1902 he came to Carbondale as draftsman and engineer with the Carbondale Machine Company. He is now vice president and has also held the office of Secretary since 1910.

Mr. Holcombe married Miss Ruth N. Cook of Oxford, Ohio, on Nov. 23rd, 1904. She died in 1920, and is buried at Eaton, Ohio. They had one child, George Alexander, who died in 1906.

Mr. Holcombe is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Elkview Country Club, Honesdale Golf Club, and Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. He is a member of the Engineers Club of New York City and the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers.

Thomas F. McGee, general merchant and vice president of the Simpson State Bank, and one of the prominent citizens and substantial business men in Lackawanna County, was born at Carbondale, Dec. 11, 1885. He is a member of a prominent pioneer family, being the son of H. F. and Catherine (Casey) McGee.

H. F. McGee was born in Carbondale in 1854, the son of Martin McGee, one of the founders of that city. The latter engaged in general farming and also had mining interests. His son owned and operated several mines in this vicinity and in 1901 organized the general mercantile business at Simpson, which is now conducted by his son. Since 1926 Mr. McGee has lived retired in New York City. His wife was born in the East Indies in 1859, her family also having settled in Carbondale in the early days. Five children were born to H. F. and Catherine (Casey) McGee: Thomas F., the subject of this sketch; Mary, Jean, Joseph, and Martin, all live in New York City.

After completing his schooling at Carbondale, Thomas F. McGee engaged in business with his father and is now sole owner of this well established mercantile business. Besides his banking connections Mr. McGee has other business interests throughout the county.

Mr. McGee was married first to Miss Clara Spall, of Carbondale. She is deceased and is buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. To this union two sons were born, Frank and Joseph, both students. On Nov. 22, 1926, Mr. McGee married Miss Catherine Lyons, of Olyphant, Pa. She is a graduate of Stroudsburg State Normal School and was a teacher in the public schools of Olyphant before her marriage.

In politics Mr. McGee is identified with the Democratic party.

H. C. Belmore. Among the popular young business men of Carbondale is H. C. Belmore, who is office manager of the Holt Lumber Company. He was born in Carbondale, May 26, 1903, the son of W. T. and Clara (Bronson) Belmore.

W. T. Belmore is a well known resident of Carbondale, where he is connected with the Grand Union Tea Company. He was born in Chicago, Ill., and since 1900 has resided in Carbondale. His wife is a native of Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Belmore have three children: H. C., the subject of this sketch; Mary and Emily, both in the employ of the Carbondale Machine Company as stenographers.

After his graduation from Carbondale High School in 1921, H. C. Belmore spent four years in the employ of the Consolidated Water Company. He then went as clerk of the Hotel Jermyn, Scranton, until 1925, at which time he accepted his present position with the Holt Lumber Company.

Mr. Belmore is a member of the Methodist Church and is a Republican. He is unmarried.

Spencer Russell is among the successful and widely known young business men of Carbondale, where he is the owner of Russell's Farm Dairy. He was born in this city, May 4, 1900, and is the son of George and Lydia (Spencer) Russell.

George Russell, deceased, was a substantial citizen of Lackawanna County, where he spent his life. He was born in Fell Township and for many years owned one of the county's finest dairy farms. Later he lived in Greenfield Township, where he specialized in the raising of pure bred Holstein cattle. He died in May, 1926, and is buried in Maplewood Cemetery, Carbondale. His widow lives in Carbondale. They had three children: Mrs. Robert McMillan, lives at Carbondale; Maurice S., lives in Greenfield Township; and Spencer, the subject of this sketch.

Spencer Russell attended the public schools of Carbondale from which he was graduated in 1918. He has since engaged in the dairy business

and in 1922 purchased his present business at 56 Belmont Street. He receives his entire milk supply from Greenfield Township, also handling certified milk.

Mr. Russell was married Aug. 19, 1921, to Miss Lois Bennett of Carbondale. They have two children, Walter and Marjorie.

Mr. Russell is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Harry J. Friend, who is manager of Bonbright & Company, has been a prominent business man of Scranton for many years. He was born in this city, May 26, 1886, and is the son of Fred S. and Constance (Smith) Friend.

Fred S. Friend, a highly respected citizen of Scranton, is a native of England. He was born in Woodbridge, Suffolk County, and his wife was a native of London. After their marriage they came to the United States in about 1885 and settled in Scranton, where Mr. Friend entered the employ of John Jermyn. He later served as manager of the Frank Jermyn store at Dickson City, Pa., after which he located at Wyoming. From there he removed to Oswego, N. Y., where he was employed in the Oswego Boiler Works. Mr. Friend then spent 20 years as a traveling representative for a Scranton glass firm. He now resides in this city where he is serving as sealer of weights and measures. He is a Republican and a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Friend have two sons: Harry J., the subject of this sketch; and Fred R., a World War veteran, lives in Scranton.

After completing his early schooling at Wyoming, Pa., Harry J. Friend was graduated from Oswego High School in 1906. He later attended Lackawanna Business College. For a time he was employed by the Scranton Nut & Bolt Company as a time-keeper, and later was with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a clerk. He spent several years with G. F. Reynolds, real estate operator, and in 1912 engaged in the brokerage business. Five years later he accepted his present position with Bonbright & Company as manager of the Scranton office.

In 1912, Mr. Friend married Miss Elizabeth A. Frantz, of Moscow, Pa., the daughter of E. L. and Elizabeth (Gardner) Frantz, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. Frantz lives retired at San Jose, Cal. His wife is deceased and is buried at Elmhurst, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Friend have a daughter, Elizabeth Constance, born in 1924.

Mr. Friend is a Republican and in 1926 was appointed on the civil service commission by Mayor E. B. Jermyn. He holds membership in St. Luke's Episcopal Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, League of Masonic Clubs, Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Lake Ariel Club, Pennsylvania Athletic Club of Philadelphia, and Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Better Business Bureau of Scranton.



HARRY J. FRIEND

P. F. Langan has been identified with the city government of Carbondale for many years and for the past two years has held the office of superintendent of streets and sewers. He also filled this office for two previous terms; was director of public safety in 1924-1925; a member of the city council in 1916, 1917; and served as health officer in 1920-1921. Mr. Langan was born in Carbondale, Jan. 23, 1872, the son of Patrick and Mary (Murphy) Langan.

Patrick Langan emigrated to the United States from Ireland when a youth and settled in Carbondale, where he was employed in the mines. He died in 1895 at the age of 56 years, and his wife, also a native of Ireland, died in 1913. Mr. Langan was a Democrat and a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church. There were five children in the Langan family: Mary, mention of whom is made below; P. F., the subject of this sketch; Sarah, lives in Carbondale; Mrs. Margaret Walsh, lives in Carbondale; and Michael, lives at Springfield, Mass.

P. F. Langan has spent his entire life in Carbondale. He worked in the coal mines when a boy of nine years and was employed by the Delaware & Hudson Railroad continuously until 1902. He then became interested in the confectionery business at Carbondale and owned a store at 82 Dundoff Street until recently. He now devotes his entire time to the affairs of his office as superintendent of streets.

Mr. Langan is unmarried and he and his sister, Sarah, reside at 165 Fallbrook Street. A sister, Mary, married Michael Price. She died at the age of 30 years and her husband died when a young man. Both are buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. Their four daughters were reared and educated by Mr. Langan and his sister, Sarah. They were Mary, a graduate nurse, died in 1924, at the age of 22 years; Jane, died in 1925, at the age of 21 years; Margaret, died in 1925, at the age of 20 years; and Mildred, died in 1925, at the age of 19 years.

Mr. Langan is a Democrat, a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society. He is one of the reliable and influential citizens of his community.

Dr. Garfield G. Micks, of Carbondale, is widely known throughout Lackawanna County as a successful Doctor of Osteopathy. He was born at Allison, Canada, July 24, 1884, and is the son of Phillip H. and Clara (Stewart) Micks.

Dr. Phillip H. Micks, for many years a leading physician and surgeon of Grand Rapids, Mich., was a native of Kingston, N. Y. He attended the Medical School of the University of New York and subsequently spent 35 years in practice at Grand Rapids. Doctor Micks served as president of the Michigan State Board of Health and was a prominent member of the Michigan State Medical Society. He spent the latter years of his life at Cedar Rapids, Neb., where he owned a large ranch. He died at the age of 69 years. His widow, who was born at Elgin, Ill., now lives

at Oakland, California. To Doctor and Mrs. Micks were born four children: Electa May, married Henry Vandenharr, lives at Oakland, Cal.; Dr. Wilfred X., Physician and surgeon, Erie, Pa.; Mrs. Charlotte M. Anderson, Doctor of Osteopathy, lives at Cedar Rapids, Neb.; and Garfield G., the subject of this sketch.

Garfield G. Micks received his early education in the public schools of Michigan, and in 1905 was graduated from the Still College of Osteopathy at Des Moines, Iowa. He also took post graduate work at that institution and from 1906 until 1910 engaged in practice at Honesdale, Pa. He has since been located at Carbondale where he has established an excellent practice.

On June 27, 1916, Doctor Micks was married to Miss Margaret Siebold, of Carbondale, the daughter of Lewis Siebold. They have no children.

Doctor Micks is a Republican and a member of Trinity Episcopal Church. He served as secretary and treasurer of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Osteopathic Association for the past two years, and is now president of that organization. He is a member of the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce and is recognized as a leader in his profession.

Peter O'Neill, deceased, was a native of Carbondale and the son of Michael O'Neill, who came to Pennsylvania from Ireland in the early days and located in Lackawanna County. His son, Peter, was employed in the coal mines of this region for many years. He died in 1907 at the advanced age of 72 years, and his wife, died in 1917. She was a native of Carbondale and the daughter of John Merrick, who also emigrated to this county from Ireland. Both Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill are buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. They were the parents of ten children, three of whom survive: Andrew T., a physician, lives at Uniontown, Pa.; John J., a dentist practicing in Carbondale, Pa., and Loretta, lives in Scranton.

On Oct. 1, 1913, Dr. John J. O'Neill was united in marriage with Miss Genevieve Gillis, of Carbondale, and they have three children, Jack, Gene and Lucille.

Leon Bly has been a leading figure in musical circles throughout Lackawanna County for the past 26 years, and he is well known in Carbondale as the director of music in the public schools. He was born at Hamilton, N. Y., and was six years of age when his parents removed to Carbondale. He is the son of G. W. and Victoria (Harrington) Bly.

His mother died in 1916 at the age of 54 years and is buried at Greene, N. Y. He has a brother Carl, who is orchestra director at Strand Theatre, Syracuse, N. Y.

Leon Bly acquired his early schooling in Carbondale and is a graduate of Syracuse University. He attended the Conservatory of Liege, Belgium,

studying with Ovide Musin, and also the Belgian Violin School of New York City with Musin. Mr. Bly worked with other teachers of note such as Gaston Borch, Horatio Parker and Dr. Mason on various phases of musical education. He specializes in the subject of instrumentation and has taught this work in various schools in the eastern states. In 1909 he wrote his first Mass in B flat for three male voices and orchestra, which was given in St. Rose Church on Christmas of that year; he also has written a second Mass in A minor, third Mass in E flat and various short works for the Catholic service, several marches for band, children's songs, picture music and overtures for orchestra.

Mr. Bly has conducted a studio of music in Carbondale since 1901. He has been director of music in the public schools since 1914, and director of St. Rose choir since 1906. From 1903 until 1913 he directed the Carbondale Community Symphony, giving four concerts each season. In 1910 he took charge of the Carbondale Marine Band and developed their work along artistic lines, giving several concerts until 1914, when he resigned to take up the public school work.

One of the outstanding phases of Mr. Bly's public school career has been the High School Orchestra of Carbondale, which has given some very unusual performances of great musical works, considering their being high school students. In 1918 Mr. Bly organized his own band of 60 pieces, which is one of the finest in the county.

On June 21, 1908, Mr. Bly married Miss Harriet Jackson, of Honesdale, Pa. She is an accomplished musician and is well known as a pianist. Mr. and Mrs. Bly have a son, Musin, born Sept. 8, 1909, a namesake of the noted musician Ovide Musin, under whom Mr. Bly studied.

Mr. Bly is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society.

E. C. Ely, who lives at Carbondale, is one of the best known citizens of that community. He was born at Brooklyn, in Susquehanna County, Pa., June 14, 1870, and is a son of Ammi and Emily (Tewksbury) Ely.

Ammi Ely spent his entire life in Susquehanna County and was well known as a mercantile dealer at Brooklyn. He died March 14, 1914, and his wife died Dec. 17, 1901. Both are buried in the Brooklyn Cemetery. Mr. Ely was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ely: Frank, born July 26, 1853, died Aug. 28, 1864; Irving, born Oct. 26, 1855, deceased; Luther S., lives at Brooklyn, Pa.; Everett F., lives at Brooklyn, Pa.; and E. C., the subject of this sketch.

E. C. Ely was educated in the district schools of Susquehanna County, and at an early age became interested in the jewelry business in Carbondale. He conducted a shop at 60 Salem Avenue for 20 years, after which he engaged in the automobile business. He successfully conducted this enterprise until his recent retirement from the jewelry business.

Mr. Ely was married first to Miss Emma Grennell, of Brooklyn, who died in July, 1907. They had two children: Fahy, engaged in the jewelry business at Carbondale, married Miss Romaine Isgar, and they have a daughter, Muriel; and Marion, married Boyd Miller, of Carbondale, and they have a son, Edwood. Mr. Ely was married in 1916 to Miss Harriet Rolls, a native of Waymart, Pa.

Politically Mr. Ely is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Elk View Country Club. He is a director of the Pioneer Dime Bank of Carbondale.

R. Allan Chase.—Born and reared in Scranton, R. Allan Chase has given the best years of his life to the service of one institution. He is one of the prominent bankers of the city, being identified with the Third National Bank as assistant cashier. Mr. Chase was born July 19, 1873, the son of George B. and Jane (Hutchison) Chase.

George B. Chase was born at Otego, N. Y., in 1816. He was one of the first settlers of Scranton and was the city's pioneer photographer. Later in life he served as tax collector. Mr. Chase died in 1895. His wife, who was born at Washington, N. J., in 1832, died in 1922. Mr. and Mrs. Chase were lifelong members of the First Presbyterian Church of Scranton, her father being an original elder and charter member of the church. There were seven children in the Chase family as follows: Walter E., DeWitt Clinton, and Anna E., all deceased; Herbert B., lives in New York; George W., lives at Altoona, Pa.; Arthur H., lives at Washington, D. C.; and R. Allan, the subject of this sketch.

R. Allan Chase acquired a city school education and received his knowledge of banking and business by practical experience. In 1889, at the age of 16, he entered the Third National Bank of Scranton as a messenger boy. He has been with that institution continuously and was made assistant cashier in 1918.

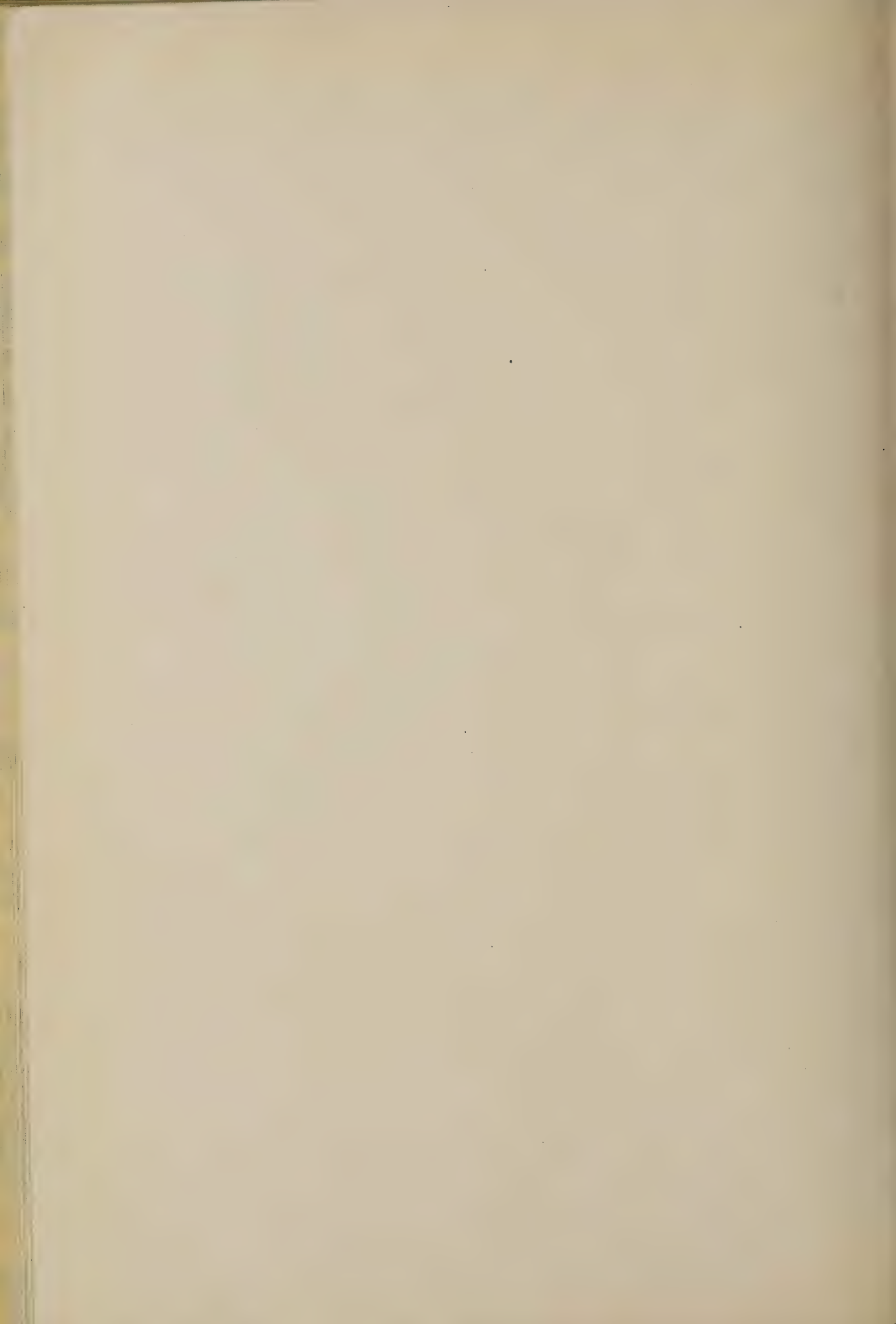
Mr. Chase is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce. He is not married.

N. Moon, proprietor of the well known Moon Meat Market, at 53 So. Main St., Carbondale, is a native of England, where he was born, Jan. 11, 1859. His parents were Nicholas and Jane (Bate) Moon.

Nicholas Moon came to the United States in 1865 and settled in Carbondale, where he followed his trade as blacksmith. He was a member of the Berean Baptist Church. Mr. Moon died in 1919 at the advanced age of 83 years. His wife, also a native of England, is deceased. To Nicholas and Jane (Bate) Moon the following children were born: Mrs.



R. ALLAN CHASE



Elizabeth Newton, lives at Carbondale; N. Moon, the subject of this sketch; Esther Mitchell, deceased, who left two sons, William and Rollin Mitchell; and James Henry Moon.

N. Moon came to America with his parents when he was six years old. He has since lived at Carbondale. After completing his schooling he entered the employ of W. H. Evans, meat dealer. Mr. Moon later purchased the meat business of D. W. Griffith, which he has successfully conducted since 1901.

Mr. Moon was married on Nov. 19, 1884, to Miss Jane A. Kenworthy, who was born at Carbondale, Jan. 24, 1862. Six children were born to them, as follows: Harry, born Nov. 10, 1885, married Miss Mary King, and they have two daughters, Anna and Margaret; Florence, born Dec. 22, 1888, married William Udy, lives at Detroit, Mich., and they have a son, Donald; Raymond, born Jan. 7, 1894, died March 12, 1922, was the husband of Anna Davids, and they had a son, William; Elsie Isabelle, born March 26, 1896, married Harold Olver, lives at Carbondale, and they have a son, Robert; Mildred J., born July 4, 1898, married Henry Fred Frederici, lives at Carbondale, and they have four sons, Clinton, Dorance, Derwood, and Raymond; and Frank N., born March 20, 1905, lives at home.

In politics Mr. Moon is identified with the Republican party. He and his family are substantial citizens of the community and have a wide acquaintance.

Hon. Edward J. Healey, mayor of Carbondale, is among the prominent citizens of Lackawanna County. He was born at Carbondale, April 20, 1872, the son of William and Margaret (Healey) Healey.

William Healey was born in Ireland in 1829. He was an early settler of Pennsylvania and was employed in the coal mines of Carbondale. He died in 1905 and his wife died in 1909. Both are buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Healey were the parents of nine children, of whom Edward J., was the seventh in order of birth.

Edward J. Healey began life as a miner and was employed in the mines here for twenty years. He then owned and operated the Anthracite Hotel at Carbondale for a period of 20 years, and in 1922 retired from business in order to devote his entire time to the duties of his office as mayor. He has served in this capacity since 1923, and as a public official is well liked.

On April 27, 1902, Mr. Healey was married to Miss Mary Gerrity, of Carbondale, the daughter of Martin and Bridget (Gillan) Gerrity, both deceased. They have five children: Donald, attends Pittsburgh University; Edward, Joseph, and Charles, all at home; and Mary, died at the age of 11 years.

Mr. Healey has always been a Democrat. He is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge of Scranton.

H. F. Clark, druggist, is one of the enterprising merchants and substantial citizens of Carbondale. He was born at West Pittston, Pa., April 9, 1871. His early life was spent in the Wyoming Valley, except for five years, from his ninth to his fourteenth year, during which time he lived with his grandparents at Falls, Wyoming County, Pa. He was educated in the public schools.

In April, 1888, Mr. Clark accepted a position in a drug store at Plains, Pa., leaving there in October, 1891 to accept a position in Scranton, during this month, also, he successfully passed an examination before the Pennsylvania State Board of Pharmacy for a qualified assistant pharmacist certificate. In July, 1893 he again passed an examination before the State Board of Pharmacy for a registered pharmacist certificate. Late in 1893 he accepted the management of the store at Plains, Pa., in which he was first employed; leaving that position at the end of a year to again accept a position as a prescription clerk in Scranton. In September, 1895 he came to Carbondale as a prescription clerk for the late Frank E. Dennis. Mr. Clark continued with Mr. Dennis until May, 1898, when he enlisted in the 13th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry and was mustered into the U. S. service with them for the war with Spain. He was mustered out of service, with the regiment, in March, 1899, and resumed his former position with Mr. Dennis on April 1, 1899, continuing in this position until March 1, 1900, when he purchased the store which he continues to own at the corner of Church Street and Salem Avenue.

Mr. Clark married Miss May L. Kilpatrick of Carbondale. She is a graduate of Millersville State Normal School and before her marriage was a member of the Carbondale High School faculty. Mr. and Mrs. Clark have a daughter, Frances Myrtle, who attends Wyoming Seminary.

Politically Mr. Clark is a Republican. He is an active member of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Kiwanis Club, Y. M. C. A., Elk View Country Club and United Spanish War Veterans.

Arthur A. Chase, who is district manager of the Scranton Electric Company at Carbondale, is one of the excellent citizens of the community in which he lives. He was born at Scranton, June 21, 1887, and is the son of G. W. and Hannah (Boldry) Chase.

G. W. Chase, who lives retired in Scranton, is a member of one of the city's prominent pioneer families. He is the son of Addison B. Chase, deceased. During his active career G. W. Chase was well known as an engineer on the Lackawanna Railroad. He is a member of the Washburn Street Presbyterian Church. His wife is a native of Scranton and the daughter of Frederick Boldry, who came to this country from England. To Mr. and Mrs. Chase two children were born: Arthur A., the subject of this sketch; and Mary, who died at the age of 12 years.

Arthur A. Chase spent his boyhood in Scranton and after completing a high school course, he attended the Scranton Business College. He

later took a course of study at the General Electric School of Illuminating Engineering at Cleveland, Ohio, and began his business career with the Scranton Gas & Water Company. After four years he entered the employ of the Scranton Electric Company and since 1917 has held his present position.

On Aug. 4, 1910, Mr. Chase was married to Miss Flossie M. Rundle, of Scranton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rundle, who now reside at Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Chase have a daughter, Mary Elizabeth.

Mr. Chase is a member of the board of Trustee Presbyterian Church, director of the Kiwanis Club, Salvation Army and a member of the Elk View Country Club and Irem Country Club. He is affiliated with several branches of the Masonic Lodge.

J. B. Walker. Prominent among the successful business men of Carbondale is J. B. Walker, assistant district manager of the Prudential Life Insurance Company. He was born here Aug. 18, 1872, and is the son of Patrick and Mary (Stetler) Walker.

Patrick Walker was 18 years of age when he emigrated to this country from Ireland. He worked in the mines in this section and in later life was prominent in local politics, having served as township supervisor and school director. He died in 1898 and is buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. His wife, a native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., died in 1900. Mr. and Mrs. Walker were the parents of 11 children.

J. B. Walker at school did not finish the grades. He went to work at an early age and began as breaker boy and later worked as a miner. He continued in this capacity until 1900, when he became associated with the Prudential Life Insurance Company. He has held his present responsible position as assistant district manager since 1910.

On April 21, 1897, Mr. Walker married Miss Catherine Casey of Carbondale. They have five children: Joseph P., married Mary Shannon; Mary, in religious life known as Sister M. Simeon; Pauline, in religious life known as Sister M. Ambrose (both are in the Order of the Immaculate Heart of Mary); Vincent, married Florence Moran; and Annaceta, at home.

Mr. Walker is a Democrat, a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree, and Holy Name Society.

Rev. William A. Crotti, pastor of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Carbondale, ranks high among the influential citizens of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dorno, in the province of Pavia, Italy, and is the son of Dominick and Marie (Carnavale) Crotti.

Dominick Crotti emigrated to this country from Italy many years ago with his family and settled at Olyphant, Pa., where he has engaged

in business for a quarter of a century. Mr. and Mrs. Crotti had eight children, five of whom survive: Joseph, a merchant, lives at Olyphant; Lena, at home; William A., the subject of this sketch; Mary, at home; and Raymond, who was graduated from the Dental School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1927.

William A. Crotti was two years old when his family settled at Olyphant. He attended St. Patrick's High School at that place and is a graduate of St. Thomas' College, Scranton, and St. Bonaventure's College, Allegheny, N. Y. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1925 and was the first Italian ordained to priesthood by Rt. Rev. Bishop Hoban in 27 years. He served as assistant to Reverend Valverde at Dunmore, Pa. He was shortly afterward given his present charge as pastor of Mount Carmel Church, Carbondale.

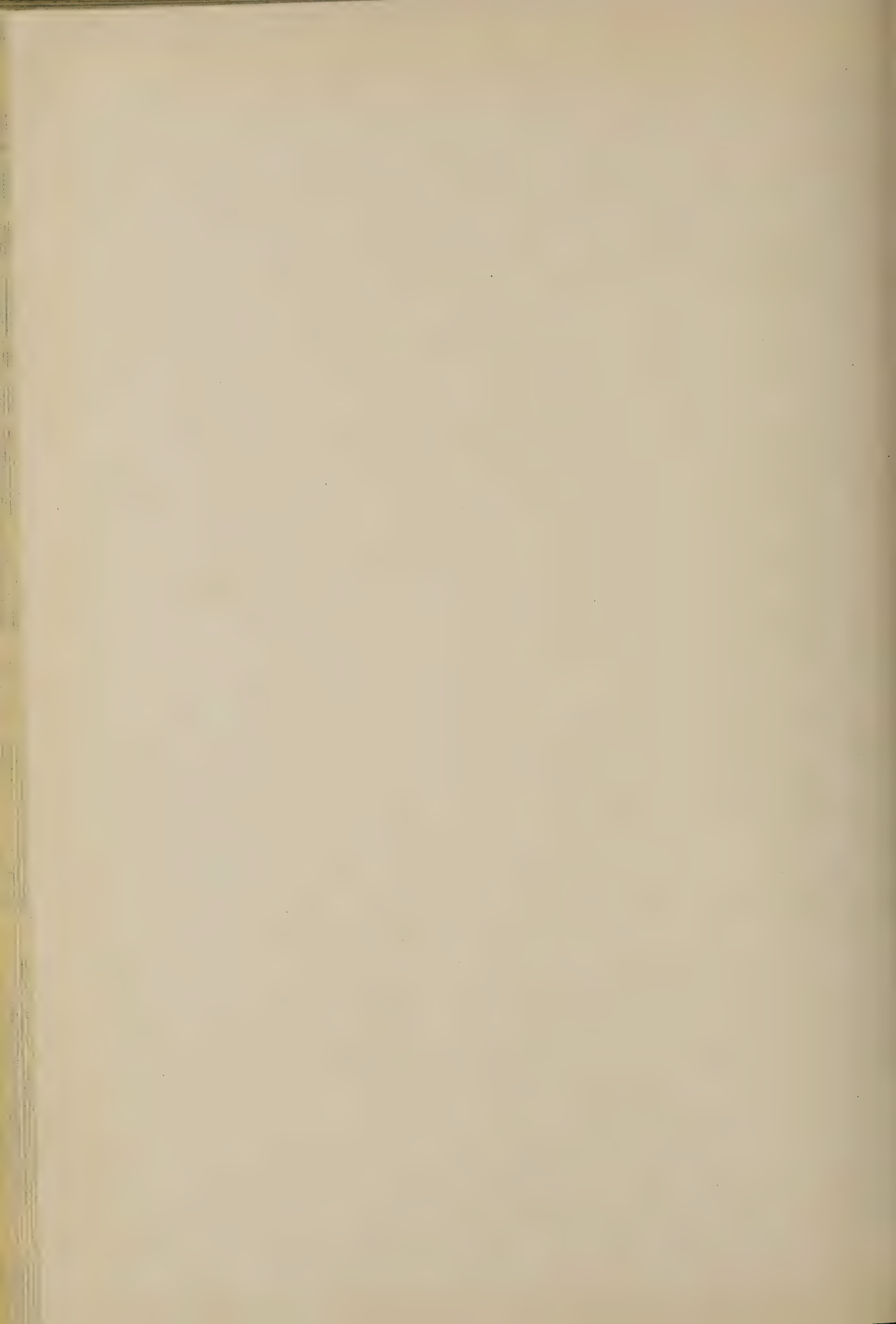
Robert H. Miller is among the most prominent and successful young business men of Scranton, where he is general agent for the Aetna Life Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn. He was born in Scranton, Aug. 26, 1892, and is the son of William F. and Christine (Stark) Miller.

William F. Miller, deceased, was a native of Germany, as was his wife. They came to this country with their parents when they were small children, the families locating at Petersburg Corners, now Scranton. Mr. Miller later engaged in business in this location and founded the business, which is now conducted by his son, George Miller. Mr. Miller was living retired at the time of his death, which occurred in 1909. His wife also died in that year and they are buried in Scranton. Mr. Miller was a Democrat and a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller: William, Jacob, Arthur, Minnie, and Catherine, all deceased, and buried at Dunmore, Pa.; Henrietta, married Henry Moore, lives at Scranton; Christine, married William H. Knoepffel, lives in Scranton; Anna, married Floyd Hand, lives at Clarks Summit, Pa.; Rose, married Fred Betzhold, lives at West Allis, Wis.; George, lives in Scranton; and Robert H., the subject of this sketch.

Robert H. Miller grew up in Scranton and received his education in the public schools. He also attended Lackawanna Business College in 1909 and began his business career with the Lansing Hardware Company as a bookkeeper. Three years later he went as a bookkeeper in the employ of R. H. Keffer, who had just been appointed general agent of the Accident and Liability Department of the Aetna Life Insurance Company. In 1916 Mr. Keffer became the general agent of the life department for northeastern Pennsylvania and Mr. Miller was appointed cashier of the life department. He was made assistant general agent as more territory was added to this district in 1922, and on July 1, 1927, was appointed to his present responsible position as general agent of northeastern Pennsylvania. His territory includes the following counties: Lackawanna,



ROBERT H. MILLER



Wyoming, McKean, Susquehanna, Wayne, Pike, Sullivan, Bradford, Tioga, Potter, Elk, Cameron, Clinton, Clearfield, Center, Lycoming and Montour. Scranton offices occupy an entire floor of the Union Bank Building and Mr. Miller occupies one of the most responsible positions in the insurance field in the State of Pennsylvania.

In 1915 Mr. Miller was united in marriage with Miss Ruth E. Baker, the daughter of John and Elizabeth (Williams) Baker, of Scranton. Mrs. Baker is deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Miller have been born three children: Jeanne, Robert H., Jr., and Elizabeth.

Mr. Miller is a Republican, a member of the Scranton Club, Chamber of Commerce, Scranton Canoe Club. He also belongs to the Masonic Lodge.

Tylman Carpenter Robinson, of 13 Belmont Street, Carbondale, presents in a long and active career a splendid illustration of the success which may be achieved in life in spite of the harshest frowns of fortune, through unremitting industry, unfaltering determination and lofty integrity. He came of sturdy stock marked with the virtues of the typical pioneer.

Joseph Robinson, father of Tylman Carpenter Robinson, was born on Long Island, Feb. 12, 1813. His parents were poor and had difficulty in making a livelihood for themselves and their family. At the age of 13 years Joseph went out in the world with a small bundle containing his entire possessions. He made his way on foot partly through the virgin forests to what is now Greenfield Township, Lackawanna County (then Luzerne County). He bargained for a tract of land for which he was to pay in installments aggregating \$110.00. Without a cent to make an advance payment he set to work at whatever he could find to do, and made his payments promptly. Meanwhile he busied himself in clearing away the timber from the spot where he was to erect his log house, and to which he eventually was to bring his bride and where his children were born. Prosperity crowned his efforts, and he became well provided with this world's goods and was highly esteemed by the entire community. He was a devoted Baptist and a deacon in the church for more than a third of a century, and was repeatedly called upon to fill the most important local offices. He lived on the old farm until his death, which occurred April 17, 1898. He is buried in the Carpenter Cemetery, Greenfield Township, where his wife is also buried.

Joseph Robinson was married Nov. 14, 1833, to Electa Carpenter, who was born in Hartford, Pa., Aug. 27, 1809, the daughter of Cyril Carpenter. Electa (Carpenter) Robinson was a woman of lovely disposition, strong character and indomitable courage. She was an intrepid horsewoman, and it is related of her that on many occasions before her father built his mill that she journeyed through the woods, a distance of 45 miles to Wilkes-Barre, the nearest milling place, with a bag of corn

on her saddle, which she brought back in the form of meal. She was often followed by a pack of ravenous wolves, and at night would carry a torch to drive them away. She was a Baptist, as well as her father and mother. She died Aug. 30, 1883. Her father, Cyril Carpenter, was a pioneer settler of Lackawanna County, born Sept. 14, 1766. He was a man of high character and ability. He died Oct. 19, 1854. He was a natural mechanic and was a carpenter as well as a farmer. He built and operated the first saw and grist mills in that section of the county. He had a family of three daughters, and four sons. Only the names of the sons are here given: 1. Tylman, born June 15, 1798, a farmer and miller, died at the age of 82 years. 2. Tyler, born Oct. 2, 1803, reared on the farm, was a foreman on the Delaware & Hudson gravity road between Carbondale and Honesdale, at its inauguration. 3. Cyril, born Feb. 12, 1806, a carpenter, removed to Ottawa, Ill., where he died at the age of 83. His family still live there. 4. Daniel, a farmer, who had a natural genius for mechanics, passed his life at Greenfield, where he died at the age of 73 years.

To Joseph and Electa (Carpenter) Robinson the following children were born: 1. Mary A., born Oct. 28, 1835, married on Jan. 31, 1851, to William Rankin, a farmer, live on the old homestead farm, as does also their father. 2. Lucinda, born Nov. 14, 1838, was married June 22, 1855, to M. R. Mallory, and they were the parents of three children, two of whom are deceased. She died Oct. 15, 1864. 3. Joseph Tyler, born May 13, 1841, is a jobbing contractor, lives at Scranton. 4. Tylman C., the subject of this sketch. 5. Julia, born June 19, 1846, married Jan. 1, 1872, to I. B. Scull. 6. Daniel Cyril, born Sept. 16, 1848. 7. Charles M., born March 18, 1851. The two last named died in 1864 during the great epidemic of black fever, within 9 days of each other.

Tylman Carpenter Robinson was born on the Robinson homestead in Greenfield Township, Sept. 7, 1843. He was reared on the paternal farm and had but few school advantages. He was however, of an inquiring and discerning mind and found ample compensation for the lack of educational advantages in private reading and close observation, and came to be known as possessing wide information and excellent judgment. At the age of 17 he began learning the carpenter's trade under the tuition of his uncle, Daniel Carpenter, and became so proficient that after aiding in the building of two barns, he built a third without assistance and in an entirely creditable manner. He married at the age of 19 years, continued working as a carpenter another year, then bought a farm, which he cultivated. Later he entered into a contract with the Delaware & Hudson railroad to furnish lumber in large quantities, and thus operated for about two years. He then began a contracting business in Carbondale, which he built up to a large volume, when he met with reverses which would have crushed a man with a less determined character. He had accumulated considerable property and as a wealthy man when the financial depression of 1870 set in, and owing to depreciation of values and inability to make collections, or to convert securities into cash, his financial

ruin was unavoidable. He sold his property at a forced sale at a great sacrifice, and even surrendered to his creditors that which was exempted by law, including his household furniture, so admirable was his conduct and so lofty his ideas of honor, but he was not permitted to make the last of these sacrifices. With all his property gone he was in debt to the amount of \$3,000, when his friends came to his assistance, among them being Judge D. K. Morris. With such aid and by the closest attention to his business, and with the utmost economy, Mr. Robinson was finally established again in an important lumber and contracting business which he prosecuted up to the time of his retirement. He has erected more than 350 buildings in Carbondale, and has built the homes of three generations, as well as public, business and residential places, among them the Methodist Church, Episcopal Church, Odd Fellows Hall, St. Rose's Convent, and the new Delaware & Hudson passenger station. Mr. Robinson's name is one of the most familiar in the city of Carbondale, and is commemorated on Robinson Avenue, on which is situated his business property and his residence. It is pleasant to record that in the days of Mr. Robinson's restored prosperity he found opportunity to repay his old friend Judge Morss, by caring for his interests during a long illness which preceded the death of that estimable man. Mr. Robinson settled the estate and to such excellent advantage that on Christmas, 1894, Mrs. Judge Morss made her grateful acknowledgments and forwarded to subject a check for \$500 as a token of further appreciation.

Mr. Robinson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and gives liberally of his efforts and means to its support, and the maintenance of its various charities. For 50 years he has been a member of the Odd Fellows. In politics he is independent, and has been an active worker for prohibition.

On June 29, 1862, Mr. Robinson was married to Miss Lois Britton, who was born Aug. 16, 1843. She died in Carbondale, Aug. 23, 1925, and is buried in Maplewood Cemetery. They were the parents of the following children: 1. Mary L., born in Greenfield, Pa., May 13, 1865, married Sept. 12, 1888, to Charles F. Baker, of Jermyn, Pa. They have three children: Ida M., born May 30, 1889; Raymond C., born Aug. 29, 1895; Stanley, born June 3, 1898, died Sept. 2, 1898. 2. Minnie, born Feb. 22, 1870, married Oct. 15, 1890, William Ray Moon, of Carbondale. Their children are: Tylman, born March 3, 1892; Rowena, born Jan. 18, 1900; Dewitt Charles, born Feb. 12, 1901; and Lois, born May 26, 1904. 3. Lillian, born Dec. 17, 1873, married Sept. 8, 1897, Reed Birdsell Fowler, and they have two children, G. Wayland, born Aug. 7, 1898, and Evangeline, born Oct. 26, 1903.

John Lippincott Britton, father of Lois (Britton) Robinson, was born in Dover, N. J., Nov. 20, 1809. After his marriage he settled in Abington Township, now Lackawanna County, where he lived for two years. In the fall of 1832, with his wife and two small children, they drove an ox team and wagon to Springfield, Ohio. They later returned to Lackawanna

County, where they reared a family of ten children. His wife was Asenath Ross, whom he married on Nov. 9, 1829. She was born in Pittston Township, June 14, 1809, and died May 22, 1898. To them were born the following children: 1. Harriet, born in October, 1830, married Jacob Sickler, died Dec. 7, 1903, at Sickler's Pond, Greenfield, Pa. 2. Mary, born Aug. 29, 1832, married in 1852 to T. B. Rhodes, died Dec. 26, 1852, at Millport, Chemung County, N. Y. 3. Jane, born Aug. 24, 1834, married George Walters, died in April, 1888. 4. Charles, born Sept. 27, 1836, died at the age of three years. 5. Martha, born Dec. 5, 1838, married on March 11, 1860, to Merritt Coon. 6. Emily, born June 25, 1841, married in 1862, Philip Rivenburgh. 7. Lois, married Tylman C. Robinson, the subject of this sketch. 8. Chloe, born Sept. 29, 1845, married first, Nov. 13, 1864, William Clum, who died Jan. 8, 1865. She married second, on Sept. 14, 1866, James B. Wood. 9. John, born March 26, 1848, married Helen Dickinson, in 1868; and 10, Rosana, born Aug. 4, 1850, died Dec. 2, 1884.

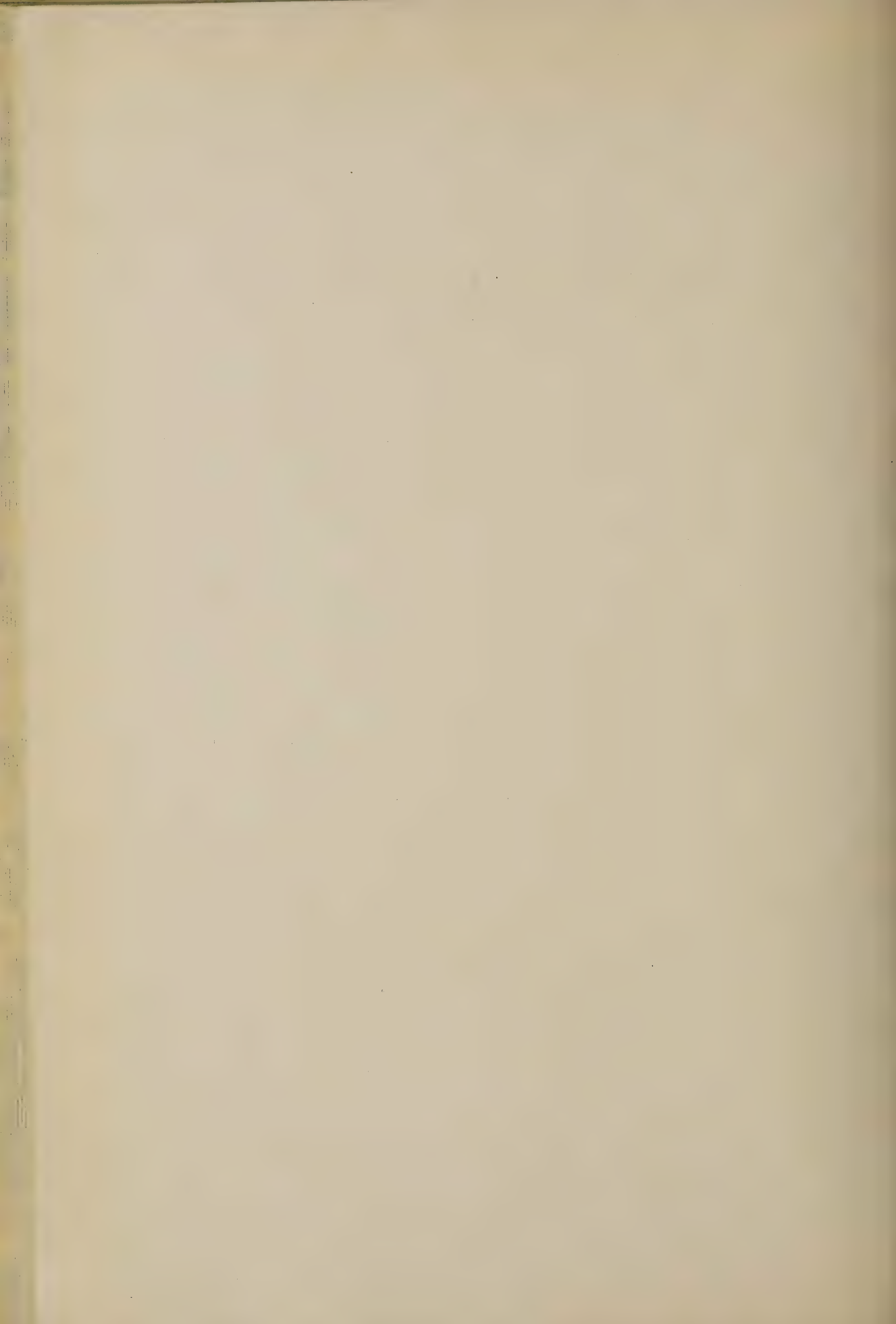
After the death of his first wife, Mr. Robinson married Miss Lillian Daily, of Lake Winola, Wyoming County, who was born July 21, 1873, and one child was born to this union, Jennie, born June 15, 1907. She is a graduate of Carbondale High School, class of 1925, and was an honor student. She is now attending Mansfield State Normal.

Ellsworth Kelly, who is district manager of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, is prominent among the capable business men of Scranton and a veteran of the World War. He was born in Scranton, Oct. 27, 1884, and is the son of John H. and Jane (Evans) Kelly.

John H. Kelly, deceased, was a native of Wales and the son of James and Elizabeth Kelly. They were early settlers of Scranton and James Kelly worked in the mines of this section for many years. Both he and his wife are buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. Their son, John H. Kelly, was educated in the schools of Wales. He was a moulder by trade and in 1888 was appointed letter carrier under Postmaster D. M. Jones, remaining in continuous service for a period of 32 years. He retired in 1920 and died two years later. Mr. Kelly was a Republican, a member of the First Welsh Baptist Church, and a prominent member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for 30 years. His wife, who died in 1915, was the daughter of John W. and Elizabeth (Hughes) Evans, of Wales. To Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kelly were born six children, as follows: Bertha, 1st, deceased; Bertha, 2nd, lives in Scranton; Norma, lives in Scranton; Ellsworth, the subject of this sketch; Lulu, deceased; and Ruth, valedictorian of the Scranton High School class of 1915, a graduate of Wellesley College, now a teacher in Kensington High School, Philadelphia.



ELLSWORTH KELLY



Ellsworth Kelly spent his boyhood in Scranton and attended the public and high schools of this city. He worked as a reporter on the "Republican" and later the "Truth" and "Tribune." In 1905 he was appointed clerk in the department of Public Works and later was made chief clerk. In January, 1912, he was elected city clerk and held that office until January, 1920, at which time he was appointed police magistrate under Mayor Connell. In January, 1922, he became associated with the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company as district manager, in which capacity he has since served.

In May, 1917, Mr. Kelly enlisted in the U. S. Army for service in the World War and attended the Second Officers' Training School at Fort Niagara, N. Y. He was commissioned as a first lieutenant and assigned to the 338th Infantry, 85th Division, and sent to Camp Custer, Mich. In July, 1918, he went overseas with this outfit and was later transferred to Company A, 125th Infantry, 32nd Division, and later to Company D of the same regiment and division. He participated in the Argonne offensive and was also in Germany after the close of the war with the Army of Occupation. He was discharged in May, 1919. On Nov. 1, 1919, Mr. Kelly was commissioned a captain in the Howitzer Company, 109th Regiment, 28th Division, Pennsylvania National Guard, and still commands that company.

In 1919 Mr. Kelly was united in marriage with Miss Caroline Von Bergen, the daughter of John Von Bergen, Sr., a complete sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

Mr. Kelly holds membership in the First Welsh Baptist Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and Country Club of Scranton. He is a Republican and active in the city's politics. Member Washington Camp No. 17, P. O. S. & A., and Hyde Park Lodge Knights of Pythias No. 306.

W. J. Richards, superintendent and district manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, is among the representative business men and leading citizens of Carbondale. He was born in South Wales, and is the son of David and Mary A. Richards.

David Richards spent his entire life in Wales and died at the age of 48 years. His widow now lives in Hyde Park, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Richards five children were born: Mrs. May Morris, lives in Scranton; John, lives in Scranton; W. J., the subject of this sketch; Thomas, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; and David, lives in Scranton.

W. J. Richards began life as a miner in the coal mines of Scranton. He earned enough to pay his tuition through Scranton Business College, and later became interested in the insurance business. For the past 14 years he has been associated with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and from salesman has been promoted to agent at Carbondale, assist-

ant manager, and finally to district manager and superintendent in 1925. The territory under Mr. Richards' supervision extends from the city line of Scranton to Hawley, and his offices are located in the Liberty Bank Building.

Mr. Richards was married on Aug. 5, 1913, to Miss Sophia H. Gardner, of Scranton, the daughter of George and Marie Gardner. They have two children: William, born in 1915; and Aline, born in 1918.

Politically, Mr. Richards is a Republican. He holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Knights of Pythias, Elks Lodge, and Kiwanis Club.

Joseph J. Bochinski, popular restaurant and hotel owner of Simpson, is a native of this city, born Jan. 6, 1893. He is the son of Frank and Catherine (Wiland) Bochinski.

Both Frank Bochinski and his wife were born in Poland and are early settlers of Lackawanna County, having located at Simpson about 1890. He has been employed in the coal mines of this section for a number of years. Tekla Wiland, maternal grandmother of Joseph J. Bochinski, is living in Simpson and is 88 years of age. To Mr. and Mrs. Bochinski 11 children were born, two of whom are deceased Charles and Johanna. A son, Rev. Andred B. Bocianski, is a graduate of St. Thomas College, Scranton, St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich., and the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. He was ordained to the priesthood in St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, May 29, 1926, and is now assistant pastor of St. Hedwig's Church, Kingston, Pa.

Joseph J. Bochinski received a meager education in the schools of Simpson, having left school to work in the coal mines when a young boy. He began as door tender and later worked as a miner for two years. Since 1917 Mr. Bochinski has successfully conducted a restaurant and hotel business at 552 Main Street. He is a director of the Simpson State Bank.

Mr. Bochinski is a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Simpson, and is affiliated with the Elks Lodge of Scranton and Eagles Lodge of Honesdale. He has served as a member of the local school board for ten years and takes an active interest in the affairs of the community.

N. J. Flood is one of the popular young business men of Carbondale, where he owns a dry cleaning and tailoring establishment. He was born in this city, Oct. 30, 1901, and is a son of N. J. and Elizabeth (Healey) Flood.

N. J. Flood, who died in 1901, was well known in Carbondale, where he spent his life. He was employed by the Erie Railroad Company as a conductor and met with an accidental death when 40 years of age. He is buried in St. Rose's Cemetery, Carbondale. His widow later married James McElligott, who is also deceased. She resides in Carbondale. To

N. J. and Elizabeth (Healey) Flood the following children were born: Edward, deceased; N. J., the subject of this sketch; Mary, married Michael Ayers, lives at Plymouth, Pa.; Madeline, married W. W. O'Hara, lives at Carbondale; Elizabeth, married Joseph Walsh, lives at Carbondale; and Gerald. By her second marriage Mrs. McElligott had four children: James, Thomas, and Catherine, live in Carbondale; and Walter, deceased.

N. J. Flood attended St. Rose's Academy. After completing his schooling he worked for the Ontario and Western Railroad as a machinist, and later went with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. In October, 1919, he established his present business in Carbondale in partnership with his brother-in-law, W. W. O'Hara. He has been sole owner of the plant since 1922. He operates the only dry cleaning house in the city and also does expert tailoring. Mr. Flood operates three trucks in connection with his business which covers a large territory in Lackawanna County.

Mr. Flood is a Democrat, a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree, and Holy Name Society. He is unmarried.

Andrew E. Farley, who is at the head of The Farley Agency, engaged in the general insurance business, fire, casualty and life, in Carbondale and vicinity, is a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Fairview, in Wayne County, Feb. 15, 1887, and is the sixth of a family of 12 children. His parents, Andrew and Margaret Farley, were members of families who were early settlers in Wayne County.

Mr. Farley received his early education in the public schools and also the Carbondale Commercial Institute, where he completed a business course in 1907, and also, for one year period, Mr. Farley attended the Wharton School of Finance at Scranton, Pa. Previous to 1907, Mr. Farley worked at the silk business with Klots Throwing Company and from 1907 to 1915 he was employed in the freight offices of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. In 1915 he became identified with the Prudential Insurance Company as an agent and in 1924 was promoted to the position of assistant superintendent in the local district, which position he filled until October, 1927, when he embarked in the general insurance business at the head of the Farley Agency, after having purchased the agency conducted for 19 years by M. M. Gehen.

Mr. Farley was married Sept. 28, 1909, to Miss Elizabeth Astleford of Carbondale, Pa., the daughter of Thomas and Catherine Astleford. Mr. and Mrs. Farley have a son, Andrew Francis Farley.

Mr. Farley is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, and Holy Name Society, and was formerly a member of the Scranton Diocesan Union Catholic Total Abstinence Societies and served as secretary-treasurer thereof for two terms. In politics he is a Democrat.

MacDonald Heebner, assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Scranton, is prominently identified with the city's business and civic life. He was born at Pottsville, Pa., May 26, 1891, the son of John W. and Sallie (MacDonnell) Heebner.

John W. Heebner is well and favorably known in Scranton, where he has lived for many years. He was born in Schuylkill County, Pa., March 18, 1861, the son of George W. Heebner, who was a pioneer merchant of Pottsville, Pa. John W. Heebner was associated with his father in the piano business for many years and in 1905 removed to Scranton, where he continued in the same line of business with J. W. Guernsey & Company. In 1908 Mr. Heebner went with the Scranton Gas & Water Company as a bookkeeper and is still in this concern's employ. He is a Republican and has served as secretary of the council at the organization of the borough of Clarks Green, Pa. He also has been a member of the school board for nine years. He belongs to the First Presbyterian Church and Masonic Lodge. His wife was born in Schuylkill County, Pa., Jan. 29, 1861, the daughter of George MacDonnell, a native of Pennsylvania. Three sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Heebner: MacDonald, the subject of this sketch; Walter M., a World War veteran, lives at Bogota, N. J., married Miss Anne Mountain, of New York, and they have two children, Louise and David Richard; and Albert D., married Miss Musette Lovells, lives at Clarks Green, Pa.

MacDonald Heebner was reared and educated at Pottsville, Pa., and was graduated from Technical High School, Scranton, in 1910. He then entered the First National Bank as a bookkeeper and in 1921 left that institution to accept a position with Megargee Brothers, Scranton, as office manager. Two years later he returned to the First National Bank and in 1924 was made head bookkeeper. He was promoted to his present position as assistant cashier in 1925.

On April 6, 1917, Mr. Heebner married Miss Carrie R. Ribble, the daughter of James and Martha (Heckman) Ribble, of Clarks Green, Pa. They have two children: MacDonald, Jr., born in 1918; and Marjorie Lois, born in 1921.

Mr. Heebner is a member of the First Presbyterian Church and treasurer of the Lackawanna County Sunday School Association. He belongs to the F. & A. M. No. 301, Waverly lodge, and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a charter member of the Abington Men's Club, and in 1927 served as vice-president. Mr. Heebner has always been a Republican and has served as assessor of the borough of Clarks Green.

John A. Hines is well and favorably known in Carbondale, where he is superintendent of the Racketbrook Coal Mines. He was born at Pittston, Pa., May 13, 1879, and is the son of Roger A. and Julia (Kelly) Hines.

Roger A. Hines, who died in 1903, spent his entire life at Pittston, Pa. He worked in the coal mines of that region and for a number of years



MacDONALD HEEBNER

was mine foreman. His widow lives in Pittston, where she was born. To Mr. and Mrs. Hines the following children were born: John A., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Mary Caine, lives at Carbondale; Thomas P., lives at Pittston; Joseph C., lives at Carbondale; Roger A., lives at Pittston; Anna M., a teacher, lives at Pittston; Martin, Zita, and Nora, all deceased.

John A. Hines has always been interested in coal mining and has been connected with the Racketbrook mines since their opening a number of years ago. The company's offices are located on Portland Street.

On June 17, 1904, Mr. Hines was married to Miss Mary Brown of Pittston. They have no children.

In politics Mr. Hines is identified with the Democratic party. He is a member of St. John's Catholic Church, Pittston, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Irish American Society and Elks Lodge. The Hines residence is located at 248 Williams Street, Pittston.

Charles H. Norton. Prominent among the pioneer business men of Carbondale is Charles H. Norton, who has been connected with the Hudson Coal Company as coal sales agent, at Carbondale, for a period of 40 years. He was born in this city, Nov. 22, 1864, and is the son of James and Mary (Connor) Norton.

James Norton was born at Pleasant Mount, in Wayne County, Pa. He spent many years in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company as general coal inspector. He died in April, 1890, and is buried at Carbondale. Mr. Norton served as a member of the city council for several terms and held membership in St. Rose's Catholic Church. His wife, also born in Wayne County, died in 1920, at the age of 97 years. Mr. and Mrs. Norton were the parents of seven children, all of whom survive.

Charles H. Norton was reared and educated in Carbondale and since 1887 has been in the employ of the Hudson Coal Company, at that time having succeeded Henry Watts as coal sales agent.

In 1907 Mr. Norton married Miss Catherine McCawley, of Scranton. She had taught school in the public schools of Scranton for 20 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton are members of St. Rose's Catholic Church and have a wide acquaintance in the community.

F. H. Acker is an active and enterprising business man of Carbondale, who conducts along very successful lines an electrical business established under his own name. He was born at Damascus, in Wayne County, Pa., Oct. 23, 1891, and is the son of Daniel and Eva (Conklin) Acker.

Daniel Acker was born near Honesdale, Pa., in 1863. In early life he was a lumberman and for the past 25 years has owned and operated a large farm in Damascus Township, Wayne County. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Acker six sons were born, of whom F. H. was the third in order of birth.

F. H. Acker attended the public schools of Damascus and was at first associated with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad in Scranton as an electrician. After three years in that plant he was transferred to the signal department at Carbondale. In 1915 Mr. Acker became a member of the local police force under Mayor James Murrin. During the World War he served in France as a member of Company A, 315th Infantry, and took part in several important engagements including the Meuse-Argonne. He returned to the United States, May 22, 1919, and after his discharge from the service was engaged as building superintendent of Carbondale High School. Since May, 1920, he has conducted his business at 26 North Church Street, where he handles a complete line of electrical appliances. He specializes in wiring contracts, which includes some of the finest residences and public buildings in the city.

Mr. Acker is a Republican and is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is unmarried.

Angelo Cerra is among the progressive and enterprising business men of Carbondale. He was born in Italy, on August 31st, 1885, and is the son of Joseph and Clara (Bonnicci) Cerra.

Joseph C. Cerra emigrated to the United States in early life, his family remaining in Italy. Shortly after his arrival in this country he met an accidental death. His widow was later married to Jasper Fazio of Carbondale. She died in 1917. By her first marriage she had two sons: Angelo, the subject of this sketch; and Anthony, who lives in Carbondale. Four sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Fazio: Joseph, James, Peter, and Carmino, all live in Carbondale.

When Angelo Cerra was a small boy he worked for the school teacher in Italy. After coming to the United States in 1894, he worked in a coal breaker at Carbondale. He later was employed in the silk mills and in 1912 organized the Cerra Bottling Works. He has a well established business and operates four motor trucks between Carbondale, Simpson, Forest City, Scranton, and Jermyrn. His fine home in this city was erected in 1924.

In 1915 Mr. Cerra was united in marriage with Miss Rosa Mussari of Carbondale. They have four children: Marie, Joseph, Deodata, and Anthony.

Mr. Cerra is a member of Mount Carmel Catholic Church. In politics he is an independent voter.

J. Joseph Krantz. Holding rank as one of the prominent citizens of Carbondale, J. Joseph Krantz has, by his work, made the name Krantz one of real worth and significance to the community. He was born at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., May 1, 1866, the son of Peter and Gertrude (Hansen) Krantz.

Peter Krantz was a native of Germany and was among the early settlers of Honesdale, Pa., where he was a member of the firm of Hartung & Krantz, brewers. Later Mr. Krantz became sole owner of the business. He died April 2, 1899, at the age of 62 years, and his wife, also a native of Germany, died in 1912, at the age of 71 years. Mr. and Mrs. Krantz were the parents of 11 children, five of whom survive, namely: J. Joseph Krantz, Peter Krantz, John M. Krantz., Charles A. Krantz, and Frank Krantz.

J. Joseph Krantz received his education in the public schools of Honesdale and in early youth was associated in his father's business. In April, 1887, he came to Carbondale, where he conducted a bottling works for two years. He then purchased the interests of the Loftus & Neclon Brewing Company in Carbondale and continued as its active head until the time of sale to Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company in 1897. From 1902 until 1915 Mr. Krantz was manager and treasurer of Fell Brewing Company at Simpson. Mr. Krantz is extensively interested in real estate operations in Carbondale.

On Nov. 18, 1890, Mr. Krantz was married to Miss Ernestina Pohl of Honesdale, Pa. They have two children, Peter Frank, and Gertrude.

Mr. Krantz holds membership in St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society and Eagles Lodge of Scranton.

George H. Dimock, retired, is the oldest engineer in Lackawanna County, having served in this capacity on the Delaware & Hudson Railroad for 59 years. He began on the old gravity road between Carbondale and Olyphant and in 1872 the steam and locomotive road was built between these points. Mr. Dimock remained continuously in the employ of this company until his retirement in 1925. He was born in Wayne County, Pa., April 16, 1851, the son of George D. and Betsy (Murray) Dimock.

To Mr. and Mrs. George D. Dimock six children were born, as follows: Benjamin, lives at Carbondale; Wallace, retired, lives at Carbondale; Louise, the widow of Warren Ellis, lives at Carbondale; George, the subject of this sketch; Mrs. John Copeland, lives at Carbondale; and John, deceased.

George H. Dimock spent his boyhood in Wayne County and attended the district schools, and then entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. In 1869 he married Miss Sarah Blanchard, his first wife, who died in 1874. To them were born two children, Edward and Sarah. Edward, a conductor on the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, lives in Carbondale, married Anna Norris, and they have five daughters: Bessie, married Harry Hollenback; Eleanor, married Louie Lee; Gladys, Mary and Dorothy. Sarah married Horace Frear, deceased, and she lives at Green Ridge, Pa. George H. Dimock was married the second time in July, 1876 to Joanna Hunter and three children were born to this union, Wil-

liam, Marion and Hazel. William lives at Malden, Mass., married Marion Chester, and they have a son, Frederick; Marion, married Charles Wagner, lives at Susquehanna, Pa. and Hazel married Henry Bunnell, lives at Carbondale, and they have a daughter, Louise. On Oct. 6, 1922, Mr. Dimock married Mrs. John Maze, of Carbondale, Pa., the daughter of M. B. and Hanna Frances Conrad, both deceased. By her first marriage Mrs. Dimock had two sons, Edward J., lives at Long Island, N. Y., married Lucretia Aston, and they have a daughter, Marjorie; and Howard, deceased.

Mr. Dimock is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church. He has a wide acquaintance and is highly esteemed in the community. He is identified with Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and D. & H. Veteran Association.

Abrham Leventhal, who is president of the Climax Dental Supply Company, is prominent among the successful business men of Scranton. He was born at Vilno, Russia, Oct. 7, 1876, the son of Benjamin and Esther Leventhal.

Benjamin Leventhal, who lives retired in Philadelphia, emigrated to this country from Russia in 1898. His first wife, Esther, died in Russia in 1888, leaving seven children. By his second marriage Mr. Leventhal had a son, Samuel, who lives in Philadelphia.

Abrham Leventhal received practically no schooling, having worked in the flour mills of Russia when 12 years of age. After his arrival in this country in 1896 he was employed by a dental supply company in Philadelphia, and three years later engaged in the retail dental supply business with his brother, Nathan Leventhal, who is now deceased. In 1907 Mr. Leventhal came to Scranton, where he engaged in the same line of business. The company was incorporated in 1917 with a capital stock of \$250,000, and is known as the Climax Dental Supply Company, Inc. The officers are as follows: Abrham Leventhal, president; Samuel Myers, vice-president; A. Charles Myers, treasurer; and Max Myers, secretary. The company has branch factories in Philadelphia and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and employs approximately 145 people, with a weekly pay roll of \$6,200. In 1924 the company erected a modern factory building at 310-12 Adams Street.

On Feb. 9, 1901, Mr. Leventhal married Miss Mary Bermen, a native of Russia, whose parents died when she was a year old. Mr. and Mrs. Leventhal have two sons: Joseph, born April 13, 1908, engaged in business with his father; and Oscar, born Dec. 19, 1916.

Mr. Leventhal is a Republican, a member of the Madison Avenue Temple, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Keystone Consistory, and Shrine at Wilkes-Barre. He is a life member of the Elks Lodge, Scranton. Mr. Leventhal is widely known for his philanthropic works, giving freely at all times to worthy causes. He is a self-made man, having



ABRAHAM LEVENTHAL



attained his success in the business world by hard work and strict attention to business.

Mr. Leventhal is a member of the United Spanish War Veterans, having served throughout the Spanish-American War as a member of Company G, 3rd Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was discharged in December, 1898.

John H. Campbell. Numbered among the prominent educators of Lackawanna County is John H. Campbell, who has been associated with the schools of Fell Township since 1905. He was born at Moscow, Lackawanna County, Jan. 12, 1882, the son of Thomas J. and Julia A. (Foley) Campbell.

Thomas J. Campbell is a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Moscow, Pa., Jan. 26, 1848. For a number of years he engaged in the lumbering and contracting business at Moscow, and since 1915 has lived at Scranton, where he is now in the employ of the Quackenbush Company. His wife was born in Wayne County, Pa., in 1858. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell had nine children, four of whom are deceased.

Educated in the public schools of Moscow and Scranton, John H. Campbell continued his studies at Stroudsburg State Normal School and Pennsylvania State College. Before coming to Fell Township in 1905 he taught school in Susquehanna County. Until 1921 Mr. Campbell was supervising principal in the Fell Township schools, at which time he was appointed district superintendent, with offices in the Simpson High School Building.

On Aug. 6, 1912, Mr. Campbell was married to Miss Anna C. McCann, of Dunmore, Pa. She is a graduate of Stroudsburg State Normal School and was a teacher in the schools of Dunmore before her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have five children: Walter, born in 1913; John, born in 1915; Helen, born in 1917; Jeanne, born in 1920; and Robert, born in 1922. Mrs. Campbell is the daughter of Bernard and Marie McCann, both deceased.

Mr. Campbell is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, Carbondale, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree. He is a Democrat.

The schools of Fell Township have had a rapid growth. In 1901 there were 13 schools and 13 teachers. There were at that time seven buildings. The school enrollment at the opening of that year was 592. John E. Roache, of Carbondale, was the principal, and he served one year. John V. DeLaney served as supervising principal from September, 1901, until some time during 1903-04, when he resigned, and Thomas Hanahue, of Olyphant, served during the remaining part of that year. The schools opened in September, 1904, without a supervising principal. At the December meeting of the school board, John H. Campbell was elected supervising principal. In 1921 he was elected superintendent, and in that year

the high school was rated as a high school of the first class. The school enrolment increased rapidly and in 1927 had an enrollment of 1,940 pupils, taught by 53 teachers. After the 1920 U. S. census, the district became one of the third class.

The buildings now comprise: The High School of 12 rooms, the Lincoln School of six rooms, the Washington School of eight rooms, the Roosevelt School of six rooms, the Franklin School of two rooms, the Jefferson School of two rooms, the Penn School of two rooms, and the Riverside, the Falls, and the Crystal Lake schools of one room each. The teaching force at present are all graduates from normal schools or from colleges, with the exception of four, and they now hold state standard certificates.

It has been said by those who are qualified to say, that John H. Campbell always possessed a distinct vision of school affairs. No one person in Lackawanna County has done more for a school system than he has. Today the schools and the school system of Fell Township compare favorably with the best anywhere. One needs but spend a few moments with Mr. Campbell, while he is on the job, or about his work, to know that he is thoroughly a "school man".

Jacob B. Graziano, funeral director, is among Carbondale's best known citizens. He was born at Murphysboro, Ill., in 1900, and is the son of Salvatore and Philomena (Gabriel) Graziano.

Salvatore Graziano was born in Italy, as was his wife. They were early settlers of Murphysboro, where he spent 20 years as a hotel proprietor. He is now employed with the coal mines of this section. Mr. and Mrs. Graziano have the following children: Sarah, married Samuel Falbo, lives in Carbondale; Mary, at home; Jacob B., the subject of this sketch; Catherine, lives at Auburn, N. Y.; Caesar, died in June, 1924, at the age of 19 years; and Charles, lives at home.

Jacob B. Graziano attended the public schools of Willisville and later lived at Brooklyn, N. Y. He studied embalming at Pittston, Pa., and in 1920 completed a course at the Eckels School of Embalming in Philadelphia. In 1923 he obtained his Pennsylvania State license and at that time established his present business in Carbondale. Mr. Graziano owns one of the fine funeral homes of the county.

On Nov. 10, 1926, Mr. Graziano married Miss Amelia Dolores Parise of Carbondale. She was born Jan. 29, 1906 and educated in the schools of Carbondale. She is the daughter of Carmine and Rachel (Gagliano) Parise of Carbondale.

Mr. Graziano is a Democrat, a member of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Sons of Italy, and Forresters of America. He is a member of the Lackawanna County Undertakers Association.

F. L. Lang is one of the leading automobile men of Carbondale, where he is agent for the Buick automobile. He was born on a farm in Cherry Ridge Township, Wayne County, Pa., in 1890, the son of Nathaniel and Anna (Pearce) Lang.

Nathaniel Lang, deceased, was for many years a prominent farmer and stockman of Wayne County. He owned 244 acres of well improved land in Cherry Ridge Township. He spent his entire life in this section and died in 1923 at the age of 59 years. His wife died in 1906. Both were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Lang had ten children, five of whom are deceased.

F. L. Lang grew up on his father's farm and attended the district school. After leaving the farm he was a fireman for three years on the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. He met with an accident while in their employ which disabled him for service for two years. In 1912 Mr. Lang opened a sales station on North Main Street, which was at that time the only automobile agency in Carbondale. He moved to his present place of business, 62 South Main Street in 1917. For ten years he sold the Overland and Willys-Knight cars, and now handles the Buick cars exclusively.

On Nov. 12, 1926, Mr. Lang was married to Miss Freda Schenck, and they have one child, Jean Marie. Politically Mr. Lang is a Republican, and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

C. A. Morgan. All his life Mr. Morgan has been identified with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, and since 1913 he has served as superintendent of the Carbondale Division. He was born at North Brookfield, Madison County, N. Y., March 18, 1873, and is the son of Albert E. and Mary E. (Pierce) Morgan.

Albert E. Morgan was born in Brookfield, N. Y., in 1846. He was a blacksmith by trade and spent his entire life in New York State. He died in 1919. His wife, also a native of New York, died in 1879, at the age of 38 years. They had two children: C. A., the subject of this sketch; and Grace, who died in 1898, was the wife of S. H. Burlingame.

C. A. Morgan was educated in the public schools of North Brookfield, and when a young man learned telegraphy while in the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad at Waterville, N. Y. In 1893 he became assistant train dispatcher for the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, and since that year has been a resident of Carbondale. He has been superintendent of the Carbondale Division since 1913.

On Nov. 15, 1893, Mr. Morgan married Miss Sarah Grady, of Carbondale, the daughter of Anthony and Anna Grady, both deceased. She died in December, 1918, and is buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. To this union were born four children: Charlotte, married Dr. Walter J. Larkin, of Providence, Pa.; and they have a daughter, Grace; Harry W., lives at Carbondale, is a World War veteran, having served in France with the 13th Regiment. He married Gertrude Sullivan, and they

have a son, Albert; Grace, in religious life known as Sister Alma Marie, Immaculate Heart C nvent, Providence, R. I.; and Betty, attends St. Rose's Convent, Carbondale.

On February 24, 1924, Mr. Morgan was married to Mrs. Nora (Edmonds) Kelker, of Mayfield, Pa., the daughter of E. F. and Mary Edmonds. Mr. Edmonds died in 1924 and his widow resides at Mayfield.

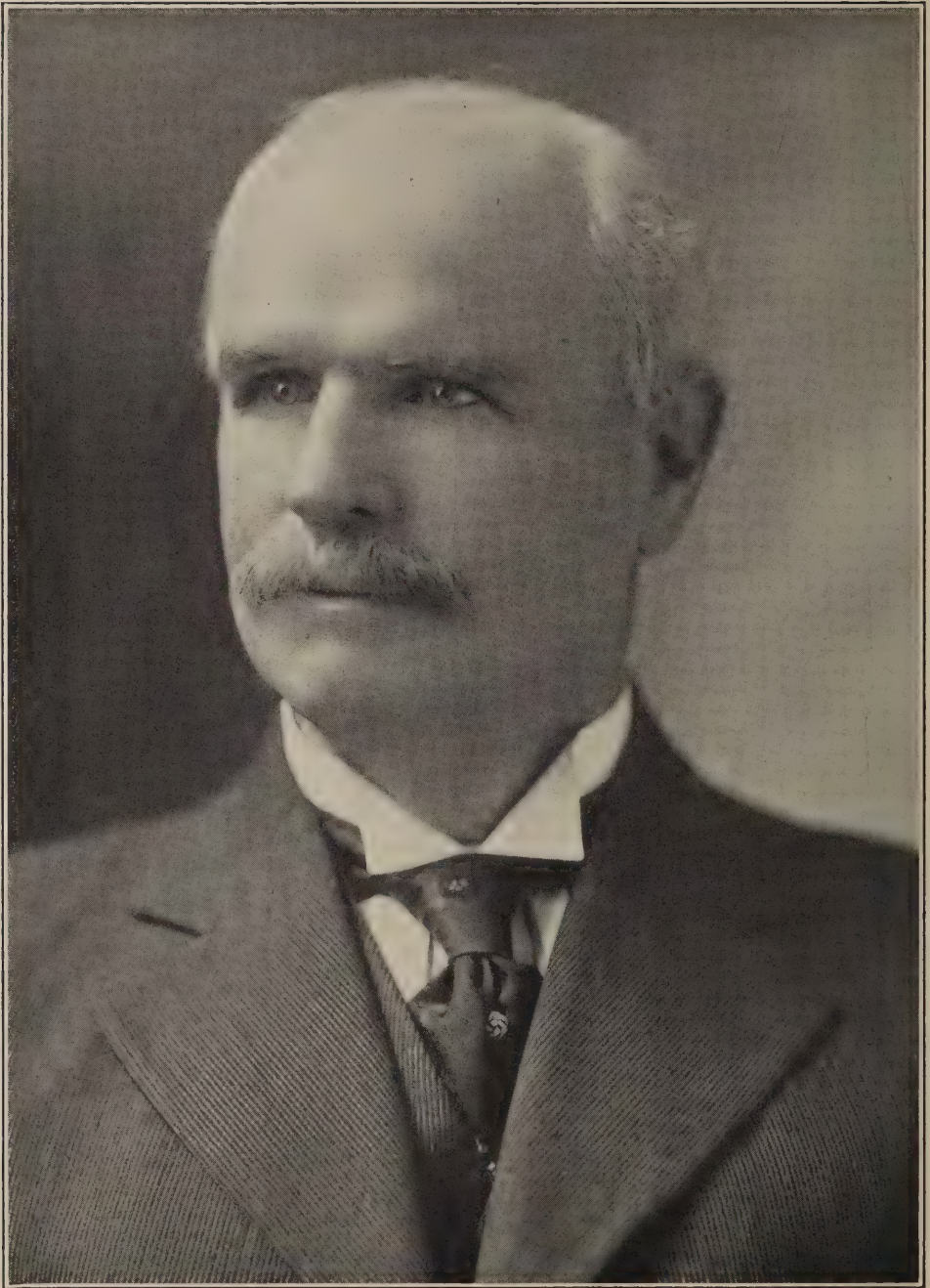
Mr. Morgan is a Democrat. He holds membership in St. Rose's Catholic Church, and is a member of the Elk View Country Club. He is secretary and director of the Discount & Liberty Savings Bank, Carbondale.

Frank X. T. Burke is one of the younger men of Scranton who have achieved prominence in business circles as president of Timothy Burke, Inc. He was born in Scranton, Dec. 3, 1893, the son of Timothy and Mary (McTigue) Burke.

Timothy Burke was born in South Wales in 1851 and was of Irish descent. About 1869 he came to this country and settled in New York, where he remained until 1875, at which time he removed to Scranton. In partnership with his brother, John M. Burke, he founded the contracting firm of Burke Brothers in 1882, which was dissolved in 1908. They were builders of the large dams constructed by the Scranton Gas and Water Company. After 1908 Mr. Timothy Burke continued in the same line of work and was the builder of section No. 1 of the Lackawanna Railroad cut-off from Netcong, to Hopatcong, N. J., and the great Nicholson cut-off of nine miles on the same railroad. He specialized in railroad building and heavy masonry construction. He changed the river course at Waverly, N. Y., a project financed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. His work won for him national reputation and many monuments of his genius as a builder may be found in the construction projects of Pennsylvania. Mr. Burke died April 13, 1922, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. He organized the Scranton, Dunmore & Moosic Lake Railroad Company, and was vice president of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, Scranton. He was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Elks Lodge, Scranton Club, Engineers Club, and the New York Engineers Club. Mary (McTigue) Burke, deceased, was the daughter of James McTigue, an early settler of Hyde Park.

Frank X. T. Burke received his early education in the parochial schools of Scranton and attended St. Thomas College. He is also a graduate of Fordham Preparatory School, Villa Nova College, and Mercersburg Academy. He then entered his father's employ as a timekeeper and served in various other capacities. Upon the death of his father in 1922, Mr. Burke purchased the business from the estate, incorporated it and was elected president.

In 1913 Mr. Burke married Miss Frances Dolan, the daughter of Dr. William K. and Hannah Belle (McCann) Dolan. Dr. Dolan was born



TIMOTHY BURKE



FRANK X. T. BURKE

in Sullivan County, Pa., Jan. 25, 1855. He is a graduate of the Medical School, University of Pennsylvania, and for many years has been a leading physician in Scranton. He was married May 26, 1891, to Miss Hannah Belle McCann, of Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Burke have been born three sons: Timothy, born Feb. 14, 1915; William, born July 19, 1918; and Frank X. T., Jr., born Sept. 15, 1924.

In politics Mr. Burke is a Republican. He is a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Irish-American Society, Country Club of Scranton, Abington Hills Country Club, and Engineers Club.

Mr. Burke is greatly interested in the raising of pedigreed dogs and is the owner of several valuable Great Danes, including such champions as "Burke's Count," "Betty von Bornum," and "Freidel von Schonenhof."

Joseph R. Figliomeni, who is successfully engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Carbondale, is a native of this city. He was born April 7, 1901, and is the son of Dominic and Rose (Chioda) Figliomeni.

Dominic Figliomeni is well and favorably known in Carbondale where he has engaged in the hotel business for a number of years. Both he and his wife are natives of Italy. They have the following children: Joseph R., the subject of this sketch; James, a graduate of Carbondale High School, now attends college in Philadelphia; Michael, Carl, Germaine, and Dominic, Jr., all at home.

Joseph R. Figliomeni was educated in the public and high schools of Carbondale. Since 1921 he has engaged in business for himself, and in 1926, moved to his present location at 64 Fallbrook Street. He carries on a general real estate and insurance business and also deals in Foreign Exchange.

Mr. Figliomeni was married June 30, 1926 to Miss Rose Parri, of Carbondale, the daughter of Natale Parri, who died in 1920. His widow resides in Carbondale. Mrs. Figliomeni is a graduate of Carbondale High School and Scranton Business College.

Mr. Figliomeni is a member of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Elks Lodge, and Sons of Italy. He is a Democrat and since 1926 has been a member of the Carbondale School Board.

Claude Wayman. Prominent among the successful young business men of Carbondale is Claude Wayman, who is a member of one of the oldest families of Lackawanna County. He was born in Greenfield Township, March 28, 1894, and is the son of Nicholas and Mary (McGarry) Wayman.

Nicholas Wayman, deceased, was a native of Greenfield Township, and the son of Abram Wayman, who was one of the first settlers of Lackawanna County. Nicholas Wayman followed carpenter contracting all his life in Greenfield Township. He died in 1895 at the age of 32 years. His

widow, a native of Carbondale, still resides on the old homestead in Greenfield Township. She is the daughter of Patrick McGarry, who came to this country from Ireland during the early days and settled in Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Wayman were born five children: Harry and Walter, who live in Carbondale; Florence, married James Utley, lives in Johnson City, N. Y.; Floyd, lives in Greenfield Township; and Claude, the subject of this sketch.

When a boy of eight years Claude Wayman was obliged to earn his own livelihood. He worked in the lumber mills of D. W. Kenyon in Greenfield Township for six years, and then learned the carpenter's trade in Carbondale, which he has since successfully followed. Since 1920 he has ranked among the leading building contractors of the city.

On March 28, 1910, Mr. Wayman married Miss Anna Hughes, of Carbondale, a daughter of Morgan and Mary Hughes, both deceased. They have three children: Mary, born in 1913; Claude Jr., born in 1919; and Louise, born in 1926.

Politically Mr. Wayman is a Republican. He and his wife are members of the Baptist Church, and have a wide acquaintance in Carbondale.

Patrick Francis Caviston is a leading citizen and a foremost building contractor of Carbondale. He was born in this city, Jan. 25, 1875, and is the son of Dominick and Mary (Coggins) Caviston.

Dominick Caviston was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and in 1862 settled in Carbondale, where he was employed in the mines. He died in 1882 and is buried in St. Rose's Cemetery, Carbondale. His wife, also a native of Ireland, died in 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Caviston had four children: Ellen, married Joseph Winters, Gulf Summit, N. Y.; Catherine, married Thomas Martin, lives at Carbondale; P. F., the subject of this sketch; and John, who died at the age of 14 years.

Patrick Francis Caviston was educated in the public schools of Carbondale. At an early age he worked in the coal mines as a slate picker. He learned the carpenter's trade in 1902, and since 1906 has successfully engaged in business for himself. He has received contracts for a number of the city's schools, including school No. 10, Woodrow Wilson School; and No. 3 School. He has also built schools at Mayfield and Olyphant, and was the contractor and builder of the Catholic Church, Lady of Mount Carmel Church at Carbondale. Mr. Caviston is also a builder of homes and has erected some of the finest residences in the city. He also built St. Rose High School of Carbondale.

On April 28, 1898, Mr. Caviston married Miss Mary Lyons of Carbondale, the daughter of John and Mary (Murrin) Lyons, both deceased. They have the following children: John, born Oct. 14, 1899, a graduate of Carbondale High School and the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., is associated in business with his father; Marion, a graduate of St. Rose's High School and Mount St. Mary's College, married Edward Ward, lives

in Carbondale, and they have a son, Joseph; James Kenneth, a graduate of St. Rose's High School; Pauline, a graduate of St. Rose's High School; Patrick, graduate St. Rose High School, now attending St. Thomas College; Dominick, Leonard, Ambrose, and Robert, all at home.

Mr. Caviston is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree. He is a Democrat, and has served as a member of the local school board.

A. M. Cardamon is among the popular young business men of Carbondale, where he has the agency for the Hupmobile automobile. He was born in this city, April 10, 1904, and is the son of Samuel and Mary (Banauch) Cardamon.

Samuel Cardamon was born in Italy and came to this country when he was 16 years of age. Since his arrival in Carbondale he has been in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company. Mr. and Mrs. Cardamon have five children: A. M., the subject of this sketch; Michael, Catharine, Anthony, and Josephine, all at home.

A. M. Cardamon received his education in the public and high schools of Carbondale. He has been interested in the automobile business since 1922, and three years ago established his present business on Pike Street, where he owns an attractive salesroom and up to date garage.

Mr. Cardamon is a Democrat and a member of the Mount Carmel Catholic Church of Carbondale. He is unmarried.

Benjamin Stone. Active and progressive in business, Benjamin Stone is prominent throughout Lackawanna County as president of the Stone Silk Company of Childs. He is also vice president and secretary of the Keystone Ice Cream Company. He was born at Childs, Sept. 20, 1887, and is the son of Hyman J. and Cecelia (Break) Stone.

In 1886 Hyman J. Stone came to the United States from Russia, where he was born, and settled at Honesdale, Pa. Later he removed to Childs, where he was interested in the retail milk business for a number of years. He also spent several years as a wholesale meat dealer and in later life was well known as a manufacturer of soap. He now lives retired at Childs. His wife, also born in Russia, died in February, 1923, and is buried at Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Stone were born four children: Rachel, married Hyman Abrams, lives in New York City; Daniel, lives at Childs; Benjamin, the subject of this sketch; and Mrs. Sarah Caplan, lives at Childs.

Benjamin Stone was educated in the public schools of Childs and began his business career in the mining of coal as an independent operator. In 1914 he founded the Stone Silk Company, of which he is president, and he has held the office of vice president of the Keystone Ice Cream Company since 1926. During that year the present factory building was erected

at Childs. They have about 100 employes. They do both the spinning and weaving of silk and their product is sold from coast to coast and they also do an extensive export business. This company is incorporated. Dan Stone, a brother, is vice president and is actively connected with the business.

On May 7, 1913, Mr. Stone was married to Miss Bertie Breakstone, a native of New York City and a daughter of Joseph Breakstone, president of Breakstone Brothers, manufacturers of cream cheese and dairy products and one of the largest concerns of the kind in the United States. Mr. and Mrs. Stone have had four children: Earl, born in 1914; Ira, born in 1920; Murrie and Cecelia, both died in infancy.

Mr. Stone is a member of the Jewish Temple, and is affiliated with the Elks Lodge of Scranton, Kiwanis Club of Carbondale, and Elkview Country Club. He is a Republican in politics and has always taken an active interest in local affairs.

Thomas F. Paddon.—In the list of men whose acquaintanceship and reputation extends beyond the limits of the Mid-Valley is Thomas J. Paddon, tax collector of Dickson City. Although serving in the trying office of tax collector for a number of years, a position very liable to make enemies, he has held and merited the friendship of the residents of the borough. His methods have been honest and he has made friends rather than enemies among all classes. Mr. Paddon was born at White Haven, Luzerne County, Pa., April 13, 1864, the son of Martin and Ellen (Gillespie) Paddon.

Martin Paddon was a native of Ireland, as was his wife. About 1848 they emigrated to the United States and settled at White Haven, Pa., where Mr. Paddon was employed for many years as a railroad fireman. He and his wife are now deceased. They were the parents of eight children, of whom Thomas F., the subject of this sketch, is the fifth in order of birth.

Thomas F. Paddon received his education in the grammar and high schools of White Haven, and also attended Woods Business College, Scranton. When a young man he learned the iron moulding trade and later took up sign and scene painting, working at the latter trade in cities throughout the country. In 1886 he came to Scranton where he was employed as foreman in the lumber yards of Samuel Y. Haupt. In 1892 he removed to Olyphant and there took charge of a lumber yard for two years. In 1894 he was made collector of the Dickson City Brewing Company, and five years later became a collector for the Keystone Brewing Company, at Dunmore, Pa. In 1906 Mr. Paddon became associated with the P. F. Cusick Brewing Company of Scranton, later known as the Standard Brewing Company, and was connected with this concern for 20 years. He then became interested in the automobile business as a salesman for the Auto Sales Company, Auburn dealers. Since 1917 Mr. Pad-



THOMAS F. PADDON

don has been tax collector of Dickson City. He is a director of the Olyphant Bank and a director of the Lawrence and Matthews Iron Manufacturing Company of Dickson City.

On Sept. 21, 1893, Mr. Paddon was united in marriage with Miss Ella Hoban, of Olyphant, the daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Laughney) Hoban. To them nine children were born, as follows: Esther, married Thomas Casey, lives at Dickson City; Eileine, deceased; Martin, assistant tax collector, lives at home; Marion, teacher, lives at home; Regina, Thomas F., Jr., Evelyn, Eleanor, and Desales, all at home.

Mr. Paddon is a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge. He has always been a Democrat and for 17 years served as chairman of the city council.

Joseph Surace, popular merchant of Mayfield, has been a resident of Lackawanna County since 1898. He was born in Italy in 1884, the son of Pasqual and Josephine Surace.

In 1894 Pasqual Surace emigrated to this country from Italy and settled at Edgetown, in Lackawanna County. From 1901 until 1911 he was associated in the baking business with his son, Joseph. From that date until the time of his death, May 1, 1926; Mr. Surace was active in business. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mayfield. His widow resides here. Mr. and Mrs. Surace had two sons: Joseph, the subject of this sketch; and Frank, born at Archbald in 1900, married Miss Mary Martino, and they have a daughter, Josephine.

Joseph Surace attended the public schools of Edgetown, and at an early age learned the barber trade, which he has since followed. Mr. Surace also conducts a grocery business at Mayfield.

In October, 1909, Mr. Surace was married to Miss Orlando Nicolina, of Archbald, and they have the following children: Patrick, Carl, Francis, Josephine and Angeline, all at home.

Mr. Surace is a Republican, a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Jermyn, and belongs to the Italian Club of Mayfield.

J. C. Cunningham, enterprising and successful in the drug business of Mayfield, is a native of this place. He is the son of Peter and Caroline (Walsh) Cunningham.

Peter Cunningham, deceased, was born at Mayfield in 1868, and died in 1909. His widow is also a native of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham had six children, as follows: Delores, married John McAndrew, lives at Scranton; J. C., the subject of this sketch; Frank, lives at Carbondale; Louise, lives at Mayfield; Joseph and Charles, both at home.

J. C. Cunningham spent his boyhood at Mayfield and was educated in the public schools. For several years he was employed in the mines of the Hudson Coal Company, and later worked in the local station of the

Delaware & Hudson Railroad. He then clerked in the drug store of J. M. Connor of Carbondale for several years, after which he attended Stroudsburg State Normal School. Mr. Cunningham later was graduated from the Philadelphia School of Pharmacy and since December, 1924, has engaged in business at Mayfield. He has met with success in this undertaking and owns one of the fine drug stores of Lackawanna County. He is a prescription specialist.

Mr. Cunningham is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree. He is unmarried.

E. K. Mathews, owner and editor of the Jermyn Press, took up the newspaper business and profession when a boy. He was born at Mayfield, Lackawanna County, Feb. 26, 1890, the son of Lafayette and Emma (Kenyon) Mathews.

Lafayette Mathews was born at Greenfield, Pa., in 1846. He was a carpenter by trade and spent the greater part of his life at Mayfield, removing to Schenectady, N. Y., in 1913, where he died in 1918. He is buried at Jermyn. His widow, born at Greenfield, Pa., resides at Schenectady, N. Y. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mathews held membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. They were the parents of the following children: Ralph, lives at Schenectady; E. K., the subject of this sketch; Walter, lives at Rochester, N. Y.; Charles and Rexford, both deceased.

E. K. Mathews attended the public schools of Pennsylvania and New York, and served his apprenticeship in the newspaper profession at Albany and Schenectady, N. Y. He was also identified with the Lyons Printing Company of Albany, and after coming to Jermyn, in May, 1917, purchased the Jermyn Press, one of the oldest newspapers in Lackawanna County. It is a weekly publication and has a widespread circulation. Mr. Mathews' newspaper is supported entirely by its advertisers. He specializes in job printing.

Sept. 17, 1913, Mr. Mathews was married to Miss Florence Nicholson, of Jermyn. They have a son, James, born in 1918, who is a student.

Mr. Mathews is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Aurora Lodge, No. 525, F. and A. M., Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Jermyn Business Men's Association, Sons of Veterans and Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

Dr. J. L. Conarton is a prominent general medical practitioner of Mayfield. He is a well known citizen and is a leading member of the County, State and American Medical Associations. He was born at Carbondale, Nov. 15, 1883, the son of John and Mary Ann (Daugherty) Conarton.

John Conarton was 14 years old when he came to the United States from Ireland and settled at Carbondale. He was employed in the coal

mines here for some time and later engaged in the general mercantile business on South Main Street for many years. He died in 1919, at the age of 72 years, and is buried in St. Rose's Cemetery, Carbondale. His widow was born in Carbondale, where she still resides. Mr. and Mrs. Conarton had the following children: J. L., the subject of this sketch; Mary, a teacher in the public schools of Carbondale; James, plumbing contractor, Carbondale; Edward, lives at Jersey City, N. J.; Elizabeth, Ellen, Matilda, and John, all live in Carbondale.

J. L. Conarton was educated in the Carbondale High School, Bloomsburg State Normal School, and in the University of Maryland, from which he was graduated in 1915, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He spent the following year as an interne in the Midvalley Hospital, then practiced at Carbondale for one year, and since 1917 has been Mayfield's only physician and surgeon.

On Nov. 2, 1916, Dr. Conarton was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Kearney, of Carbondale. Before her marriage she was a nurse in the Midvalley Hospital. Doctor and Mrs. Conarton have four children: Marian, Joseph, John and Anna.

Doctor Conarton is identified with the Democratic party in politics. He is a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Jermyn, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree.

James F. Lally, burgess of Mayfield, is well and favorably known throughout Lackawanna County, where he has spent his entire life. He was born at Lost Creek, Schuylkill County, Pa., Nov. 3, 1883, and is a son of Anthony and Sarah (Gaughan) Lally.

Anthony Lally was born in County Mayo, Ireland, in 1858. He immigrated first to Boston, Mass., later removed to Lost Creek, Schuylkill County, Pa. About 1890 he settled at Mayfield, where he was employed in the coal mines. He died in 1912, and his wife died the following year. They were the parents of six children: Michael, died in 1911, at the age of 31 years; James F., the subject of this sketch; Anna, deceased, was the wife of Bernard Tighue; Henry, and Anthony, who live at Scranton; and Catherine, married Matthew Gobert, lives at Mayfield.

James F. Lally left school when nine years of age and went to work in the coal mines of Mayfield as a slate picker. He advanced through the various stages of mining, finally becoming a rock contractor in the mines. During this time he was also a hotel proprietor. He was one of the organizers of the Mayfield State Bank, and is a director of that institution. He has various other business connections in the city, and is well known as an insurance and real estate operator. In 1926 Mr. Lally was elected burgess of Mayfield, after having served as tax collector and city councilman.

In 1921 Mr. Lally was married to Lillian Mullen of Scranton. She is a graduate of Central High School. Mr. and Mrs. Lally have two

daughters: Mary, born in 1922; Dorothy, born in 1925; and James F. Jr., born May 20, 1927.

Mr. Lally has always been a Democrat. He is a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Jermyn, and is affiliated with the Elks Lodge of Scranton, Irish American Society, Holy Name Society and Ancient Order of Hibernians.

William P. Kennedy, M. D.—During the more than 45 years that he has been established in a general practice at Dickson City, Dr. Kennedy has proven his skill as a physician. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., Aug. 8, 1857, and spent his boyhood on a farm.

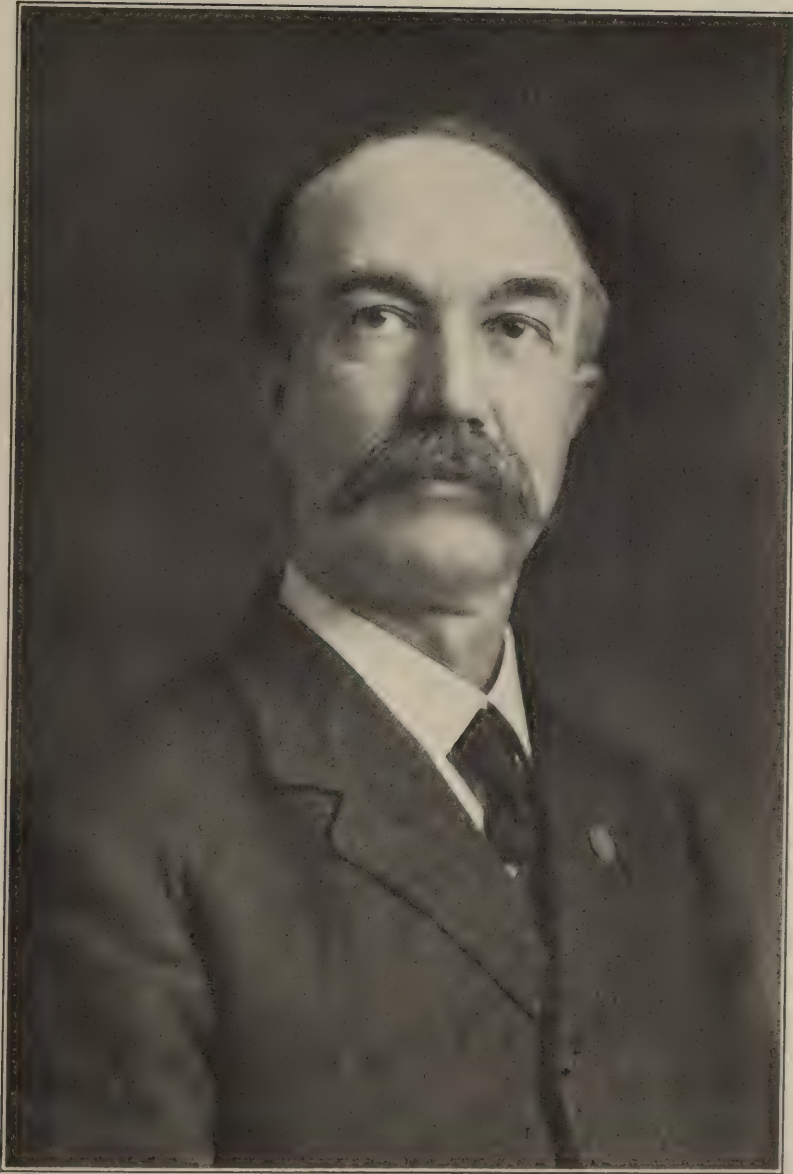
Dr. Kennedy received his early schooling at Gates School, and later attended Prompton School. He taught in the district schools of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties for several terms. In 1879 he went to Philadelphia, where he was employed in newspaper work for several months. He studied medicine at the Starling Medical College, at Columbus, Ohio, now Ohio State University, from which he received his degree in 1882. He immediately established his practice at Dickson City, where he has continued to the present time. For more than 30 years Dr. Kennedy was also proprietor of a drug store in this city, which he disposed of in 1923. He also served as a member of the staff of Mid Valley Hospital until recently.

In 1882 Dr. Kennedy was married to Miss Mattie Denison, of Montrose, Pa. She died in 1924. To Doctor and Mrs. Kennedy three children were born: Lillian, died at the age of six years; Florence, lives in New York City; and Eleanora, lives at home.

Dr. Kennedy is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Elks Lodge of Scranton. He was health officer of Dickson City for 12 or 15 years.

Albert B. Kinback. President of the Archbald Bank, Albert B. Kinback is easily one of the dominating forces in the business life of this city, and a man who enjoys the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. He was born at Archbald, Sept. 9, 1879, the son of Anthony and Catherine (Ulmer) Kinback.

Anthony Kinback, deceased, was among the earliest settlers of Archbald, where he successfully engaged in the furniture and undertaking business for many years. Both he and his wife were natives of Germany. He was born in 1835 and died in 1902. She was born in 1845 and died in 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Kinback, who were married at Archbald, were the parents of the following children: Charles, Edward, Louise, and Mary, all deceased; Anthony and John, engaged in the furniture and undertaking business at Peckville, Pa.; Frederick, building contractor, lives at



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Elizabeth, N. J.; William, building contractor, lives at Scranton; Catherine, lives at Archbald; and Nicholas, lives at Peckville, Pa., where he is associated in business with his brothers, Anthony and John.

Albert B. Kinback attended the public schools of Archbald and at an early age became interested in his father's business. In 1899 he established a confectionery store and restaurant. In 1914 he established an auto accessory store and still conducts both businesses. He was elected president of the Archbald Bank in 1923, and has served as a director of this institution since the time of its organization in 1909.

Mr. Kinback is a Republican, a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree. He married, October, 1927, Miss Vera Baltus of Archbald.

The Archbald Bank ranks as one of the dependable banking institutions of Lackawanna County. It has a capital stock of \$50,000, and surplus of \$100,000. Its officers are: A. B. Kinback, president; J. J. Kearney, vice president; L. S. Parsons, cashier; and E. A. Gerhardt, assistant cashier. The directors are: F. P. Badger; Jonas Berger; R. J. Bourke; A. J. Cawley; Richard F. Foote; J. J. Kearney; Richard Kielty; A. B. Kinback; Edward Propst; and Charles F. Reedy.

William D. McHale, popular owner and editor of the Archbald Citizen, is a leading citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born at Archbald, and is the son of William and Ellen (White) McHale.

William McHale, deceased, was the son of Thomas McHale, who came to the United States from Ireland in about 1860 and settled at Archbald. His son, who died at the age of 34 years, is buried in the Catholic Cemetery, Archbald. His widow, who was born in 1857, resides at Archbald. Mr. and Mrs. McHale had the following children: Agnes, died at the age of four years; Mrs. Harold Fox, lives in New York City; Mrs. John Munley, lives at Archbald; and William D., the subject of this sketch.

William D. McHale attended the public schools of Archbald and in 1902 learned the printer's trade. Since that time he has been associated with the newspaper which he now owns. It was formerly owned by Hon. T. A. Philbin, who died Sept. 11, 1925. In May, 1909, Mr. McHale purchased the newspaper plant, which is now in its 34th year. The Archbald Citizen has a circulation of 1900 and is a weekly newspaper.

Mr. McHale is a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church. He is unmarried.

L. S. Parsons, well known as the efficient cashier of the Archbald Bank, is a native of New York. He was born at Sidney, Sept. 15, 1881, the son of L. J. and Elizabeth (McKeever) Parsons.

L. J. Parsons, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Delaware County, N. Y., in 1848. He spent his life in that section

of the state and was a successful farmer and stockman. He died in 1909 and is buried at Sidney, N. Y. His widow was born at Cortright, N. Y. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church, of which her husband served as deacon and trustee for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons were the parents of two children: L. S., the subject of this sketch; and Lelia, married William Stetter, lives at Scranton.

L. S. Parsons spent his boyhood at Sidney, where he attended the public schools. He began his business career with the Scranton Coal Company, and later was associated with the Dime Bank of Scranton. He has held his present responsible position as cashier of the Archbald Bank since April, 1910.

On Oct. 16, 1907, Mr. Parsons was united in marriage with Miss Julia Zenke, of Scranton, the daughter of Albert and Amelia Zenke, both deceased. They have five children: Alberta, L. Stewart, Jr., Richard, Elizabeth, and Wilhelmina, all at home.

Politically Mr. Parsons is identified with the Republican party. He holds membership in the First Congregational Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Elks Lodge and Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Richard F. Foote is among the leading citizens of Archbald, where he conducts Foote's Pharmacy, which was established in 1860 by his father, Dr. John Foote. Mr. Foote was born at Archbald, his parents being Dr. John and Margaret A. (McAndrew) Foote.

Dr. John Foote was born at Cork, Ireland, and about 1850 emigrated to Canada and settled at Quebec. Later he came to this country with an aunt and brother, Dr. Richard Foote, and they located at Archbald, where they founded the drug business which now bears the family name. Both brothers were graduates of Yale University and were pioneer physicians of Lackawanna County. John Foote died in December, 1884, and Richard Foote died in 1870. Richard is buried in St. Rose's Cemetery, Carbondale. Dr. John is buried in St. Thomas Cemetery, Archbald. After his death, the widow of Dr. John Foote, Margaret A. (McAndrew) Foote, continued the drug business at Archbald, being a registered pharmacist. She was associated with her son, Dr. John Foote, until 1899, at which time he entered Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. He has since become specialist in Pediatrics of that city. Mrs. Foote died in November, 1916, and is buried in St. Thomas Cemetery, Archbald. To Doctor and Mrs. John Foote the following children were born: John Joseph and Anna, who died in infancy; Mrs. A. J. Cawley, lives at Archbald; Dr. John A., lives at Washington, D. C., where he is a specialist in children's diseases; Katharine A., lives at Archbald; Richard F., the subject of this sketch; Joseph W., lives at Rutherford, N. J.; and Bernard A., lives at Archbald, where he is identified with the Foote's Pharmacy.

Richard F. Foote spent his boyhood at Archbald and attended the public schools. He has always been interested in the drug business and

for a time was associated with the business of Mathew Brothers, druggists, of Scranton, and Frank McHale, of Dunmore. He has been proprietor of Foote's Pharmacy since 1899, at which time his brother, Dr. John Foote, removed to Washington, D. C.

Mr. Foote is a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, Archbald, and Elks Lodge, of Scranton. He is a director of the Archbald Bank and one of the city's enterprising business men.

Peter Propst, a leading citizen of Archbald, who operates an extensive lumber and contracting business there, was born at Archbald, March 12, 1860, the son of Justice and Dora (Cobe) Propst.

Both Justice Propst and his wife were natives of Germany and early settlers of Archbald, having located in Lackawanna County in about 1845. During his entire active career Mr. Propst was employed in the mines of this section. He died in 1909 and his wife died in 1906. They were members of the German Evangelical Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Propst the following children were born: John, deceased; Peter, the subject of this sketch; Henry, died in 1919; Anthony, lives in New Jersey; William, died in 1898; Dora, married Charles Arnold, lives at Carbondale; Matilda, married Mavin Myers, lives at Archbald; Lizzie, married William Bishop, lives at Archbald; Frederick, died in infancy; and Anna, married Albert Klopfer, lives at Archbald.

Peter Propst was reared and educated at Archbald and in early life worked for the Pierce Coal Co. as mine locomotive engineer. In 1889 he became associated in the lumber business with his brothers, John, Peter, Henry, Anthony and William Propst. They organized the Propst Brothers Lumber Company and were also building contractors. Since 1917 Mr. Propst has been sole owner of the business, which is one of the leading concerns in the city.

On May 17, 1884, Mr. Propst was united in marriage with Miss Anna Louise Deecke, of Archbald, the daughter of Henry and Dora (Miller) Deecke, both deceased. They have three children: Dr. Walter, a prominent physician and surgeon of Scranton, is a veteran of the World War, having served in France with the rank of first lieutenant, married Miss Mabel Morrison of Easton, Pa., and they have two children, Harry D., and Lois; Esther D. M., lives at home, a graduate of Perkiomen Seminary, now a teacher in the Archbald public schools; and Emery Willis, who was a student at Perkiomen School and Wharton School of Commerce and Finance is associated in business with his father. He was married in February, 1918, to Miss Ione Monie, of Archbald, they have two children, Robert and Ella.

Mr. Propst is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Louis H. Von Bergen.—A man of practical abilities and wide experience in industrial and commercial affairs, Louis H. Von Bergen, of Scranton, has within recent years devoted his time and energies to the public service to such excellent effect that his influence is felt in many branches of present day advance in Lackawanna County. Both in the duties of his office and along inspirational and fraternal lines of organized activity Mr. Von Bergen has distinguished himself as a leader and his usefulness parallels the advance of the City of Scranton and the county of Lackawanna. He is a son of John and Caroline (Weisen) Von Bergen.

John Von Bergen was born in Berne, Switzerland, April 18, 1845, and died in Scranton, April 15, 1910. The first of the Von Bergens to come to the United States was Andrew Von Bergen, who with his wife Elizabeth, and children came in about 1851 and settled in Jackson, Ill. In 1856 he came to Pennsylvania, settling in Taylor, Lackawanna County, where he engaged in farming. John Von Bergen was six years of age when the family came to America. He worked on his father's farm and in 1877 came to Scranton, where he was active in the mining industry until his death. He was a man of forceful character, genial and kindly nature, but of so retiring and quiet a disposition that he won the name of "The Silent Swiss." He served two terms in the Scranton Council, and was director of the poor at the time of his death. He also was a director of the Providence Bank. He was a member of Shiller Lodge, F. and A. M.; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Greuth Turnverein and a liberal supporter of his church. John Von Bergen, Sr., married Caroline Weisen, a daughter of Nicholas Weisen, and to them were born six children: John, Jr.; Caroline; Mildred, married R. W. Jeffers; Elizabeth, married Wells Hockenberry; Louis H., the subject of this sketch; and Helen.

John Von Bergen, Jr., was born in Taylor, Lackawanna County, Nov. 15, 1874. He began life as a weighmaster for the D. L. & W. Railroad, and served in various capacities until 1900 when he was appointed clerk in the office of the county commissioners, and in 1904 was elected clerk of courts. In 1909 he was elected Mayor of Scranton; 1910 was elected director of Providence Bank; in 1916 was elected president of Providence Bank; in 1912 was a delegate to the Republican National Convention; in 1915 was elected county commissioner and re-elected in 1919. He was a member of Green Ridge Lodge F. and A. M.; Keystone Consistory, 32nd degree; Irem Temple; A. A. O. N. M. S.; I. O. O. F.; P. S. of A.; United Order of American Mechanics; Fraternal Order of Eagles; and Craftsmen Club. He was married on Sept. 28, 1904, to Miss Emma Schwendt, a daughter of Christian G. Schwendt, and they had two children: Mildred and John III. John Von Bergen II died Dec. 10, 1920.

Louis H. Von Bergen was born in Scranton, June 22, 1881. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following the completion of his high school course, he took a special course at a business college, then started life as a collector. Filling the responsibilities of this



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position for a few years, Mr. Von Bergen later became identified with the Westinghouse Company in their Scranton plant, serving as time-keeper and pay-master, then later in the production department, where he gained practical and exhaustive experience as an engineer and machinist. Thereafter, for a period, Mr. Von Bergen was active as salesman for various concerns until 1917 when he was appointed to the inheritance tax department in the Lackawanna County Court House. Thus active until the year 1921, he then accepted his appointment to fill out the unexpired term of his brother as county commissioner. His usefulness and efficiency in this responsible office led to the ratification of his appointment in the polls the following year, when he was elected county commissioner by a handsome majority. Mr. Von Bergen is a loyal Republican, and has for many years been a worker in the ranks of the party. It was on the basis of his eminent fitness for his work, however, that he was placed in his present position, and the county is realizing definite and permanent benefit from his activity. An achievement in which Mr. Von Bergen takes sincere and justifiable pride is his organization of the Progressive Club, of Scranton, which is composed of a group of business men and civic leaders and has for its avowed purpose constant and tireless effort to improve the city and carry it forward and upward to a leading position among its sister municipalities in the State of Pennsylvania. Mr. Von Bergen is affiliated with the business world as a director of the Providence Bank. Fraternally he is affiliated with Green Ridge Lodge No. 598, Free and Accepted Masons, and the various bodies of this order up to and including the Irem Temple Consistory; Colonel Lewis Council, Junior Order United American Mechanics; Lodge No. 123, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He attends the Presbyterian Church.

Louis H. Von Bergen married, in 1917, Henrietta V. Cummings, of Scranton, daughter of James and Marie (O'Hara) Cummings, and they reside at No. 331 North Irving Avenue.

John F. Schwarztrauber, postmaster of Archbald, is widely known among the representative citizens of Lackawanna County, where he has lived since 1888. He was born in Germany, Dec. 14, 1869.

Mr. Schwarztrauber was educated in the schools of his native land and after his arrival in the United States in 1888 he entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. After three years he went with the John Simpson Company as a miner, but soon returned to his former employment. Mr. Schwarztrauber later engaged in painting and followed that trade at Archbald for 12 years. He was also connected with the Clements Silk Company for several years and in January, 1924, accepted the duties of postmaster of Archbald. During the past 21 years Mr. Schwartztrauber has held the office of ward assessor of Archbald.

Mr. Schwarztrauber was married on Aug. 29, 1894, to Miss M. E. Sauer, who was born at Archbald, June 19, 1873. To them were born six children, as follows: John Wilbert, married Miss Gladys E. Michaels, lives at Carbondale, and they have two daughters, Violet and Marjorie; George, married Miss Irma Hollis, lives at Jermyn; Anna A., assistant postmaster, Archbald; Herbert W., Earl L., and Curtis Henry, all at home.

Mr. Schwartztrauber is a Republican, a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Archbald, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias.

Charles F. Reedy is perhaps one of the best known men of Archbald, where he has owned and operated a hotel for the past 30 years. He was born here, April 30, 1871, the son of Martin and Catherine (Cawley) Reedy.

Martin Reedy came to this country from Ireland about the time of the Civil War. He settled at Archbald and spent the remainder of his life in the coal mines of Lackawanna County. He died in 1906, and his wife died in 1918. They are buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Archbald. Mr. and Mrs. Reedy were the parents of the following children: Charles F., the subject of this sketch; Martin J., lives at Archbald; George, died in November, 1926; Michael, died in 1914; and William, who lives in Arizona.

Charles F. Reedy went to work in the coal mines when he was eight years old as a slate picker. He continued to work around the mines until he was 20 years old, at which time he went to New York City, where he was employed as a hotel clerk. About 1895 he returned to Archbald and has since conducted his hotel there. This hostelry is one of the oldest between Scranton and Carbondale. Mr. Reedy is one of the directors of the Archbald Bank, of which he was an organizer, and he also has served as vice president of the Fell Brewing Company for many years.

On Sept. 27, 1899, Mr. Reedy was married to Miss Helen Carney, of Carbondale. They have no children.

Mr. Reedy is a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and Eagles Lodge of Scranton. He is a Democrat and a highly esteemed member of the community in which he lives.

S. W. Boland, M. D. Among the most successful of the younger physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County is Doctor Boland, of Archbald, who is a member of one of the county's prominent pioneer families. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., June 30, 1897, and is the son of John J. and Agnes (Healy) Boland.

John J. Boland, founder of the coal business which bears his name, is one of the representative citizens and leading business men of Dunmore,

where he has spent his entire life. His wife is also a native of that city. They are the parents of the following children: Eugene, lives at Dunmore; Joseph, lives at Dunmore; Leonard, lives at Dunmore; John, lives at Dunmore; Margaret and Alice, teachers, live at Dunmore; and S. W., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his early schooling at Dunmore, S. W. Boland took up the study of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, and was graduated from that institution in 1922 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He spent the following year as an interne in a Philadelphia hospital and in 1923 established his private practice at Archbald, where he has met with marked success.

Doctor Boland was married on June 24, 1925, to Miss Harriet O'Brien, of Osceola Mills, Pa. She is a graduate nurse and practiced for five years before her marriage. Doctor and Mrs. Boland have a daughter, Harriet, born June 16, 1926.

Doctor Boland is prominent in the County, State, and National Medical Associations, and is a member of the Phi Alpha Sigma fraternity. He holds membership in St. Thomas Catholic Church, Archbald.

Dr. Frank J. Fox, of Archbald, is prominent among the successful young physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was born in New Jersey, and is the son of Joseph and Margaret (Roberts) Fox.

Joseph Fox lives retired at Bristol, Pa. There are seven children in the Fox family, as follows: Frank J., the subject of this sketch; Robert, lives at Brooklyn, N. Y.; Joseph, Jr., lives at Bristol, Pa.; Edward, lives at Bristol, Pa.; Mary, lives in Philadelphia; James, a student in the School of Dentistry, University of Pennsylvania; and Margaret, attends Bristol High School.

Frank J. Fox spent his boyhood in Philadelphia and received his early schooling there. He is a graduate of St. Joseph's College, Philadelphia, and the University of Pennsylvania. He studied medicine at Temple University, from which he was graduated in 1922. Doctor Fox served as interne for one year in the Pennsylvania State Hospital at Scranton, spent the following six months in practice at Johnstown, Pa., and since 1923 has been located at Archbald, with offices at 404 Main Street. Doctor Fox is already widely known throughout the county as a capable specialist in children's diseases.

On Sept. 9, 1926, Dr. Fox was married to Miss Lillian Wivell, of Jermyn, Pa., the daughter of William and Catherine Wivell. Mr. Wivell lives retired at Jermyn. His wife is deceased. Mrs. Fox is a graduate nurse.

Doctor Fox is a Republican, a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Elks Lodge. He is also a member of the Phi Chi fraternity.

James Parker Wilson, president of the Liberty National Bank and Wilson Lumber Company of Dickson City, is numbered among the leading business men and representative citizens of Lackawanna County. He was born in this county, Jan. 12, 1878, the son of James and Emma A. (Parker) Wilson.

James Wilson was of Scotch and Irish descent and an early settler of Canada. After his arrival in Lackawanna County he followed general farming in Scott Township, and in April, 1871, was appointed superintendent of the Blakely Poor Farm. Mr. Wilson died July 23, 1910, and his wife, who was born at Benton Center, Pa., June 1, 1837, died Nov. 12, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson had only one child, James Parker, the subject of this sketch.

James Parker Wilson spent his boyhood on his father's farm and attended the district schools of Brown Hollow. He later attended School of the Lackawanna of Scranton, from which he graduated in 1900. In September, 1896, he became interested in the teaching profession. He taught in Scott Township for a time and later served as principal of Uniondale School, assistant principal of Old Forge High School, Mayfield High School and superintendent of schools at Dickson City. He resigned May 5, 1914, and in October of that year was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. Early in 1915 Mr. Wilson organized the Wilson Lumber Company of which he has since served as president. He is also president of the Betsy Ross Silk Company. He served as secretary for the organization of the Dickson City National Bank, of which he is heaviest stockholder, and in 1923 he organized the Liberty National Bank, of which he is president.

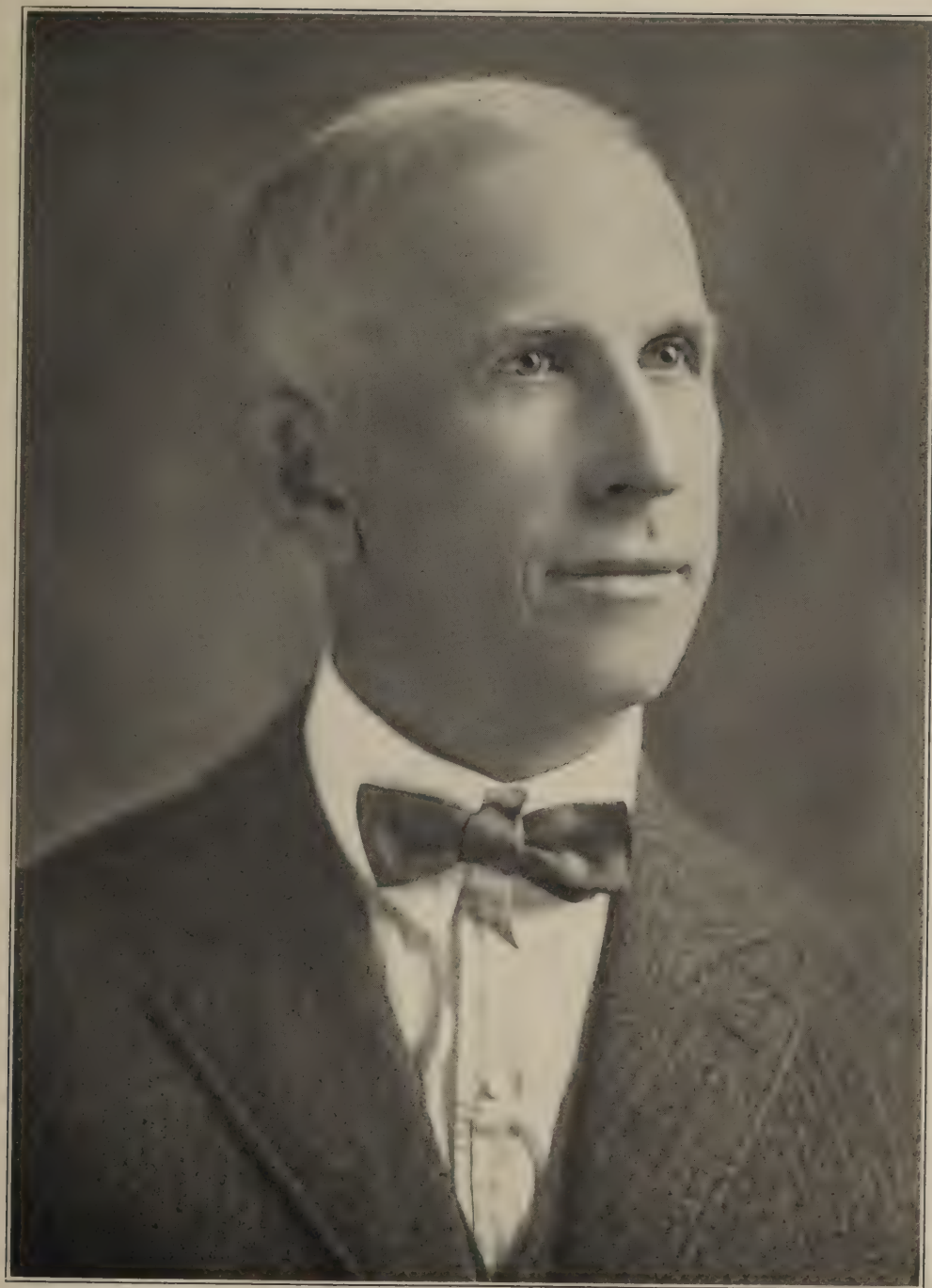
On Aug. 28, 1924, Mr. Wilson married Miss Mabel D. Grogan, of Archbald, Pa., the daughter of P. H. and Bertha (Deekie) Grogan. They have a son, James Parker, Jr., born July 5, 1925.

Politically Mr. Wilson is a Republican and he has served as Borough solicitor. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and belongs to Keystone Consistory, Irem Temple, and Shrine.

W. A. Kelley, who has served as superintendent of Archbald High School since 1905, is prominent among the educators of Lackawanna County. He was born in Northumberland County, Pa., July 27, 1867, the son of John and Julia (Gaughan) Kelley.

W. A. Kelley obtained his early schooling in the schools of Shamokin and Parsons, Pa. He later attended parochial schools at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and in 1885 was graduated from Wyoming Seminary. He is also a graduate of Mansfield State Normal School. Mr. Kelley came to Archbald High School in 1897 as supervising principal and has held his present office since 1905.

Mr. Kelley has always been greatly interested in music and is one of the leading baritones in this section of the country. He was a member



JAMES P. WILSON

of Dr. Mason's Glee Club of Wilkes-Barre for several years, and also spent some time in vaudeville engagements as a baritone soloist. For the past 29 years he has been director of the choir of St. Thomas Catholic Church at Archbald.

On June 26, 1901, Mr. Kelley was married to Miss Jane F. O'Boyle, of Archbald, who is an accomplished pianist.

Mr. Kelley is a Democrat, a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society.

J. F. Moran, widely known throughout Lackawanna County as the capable principal of Archbald High School, is a native of Scranton, Pa. He was born May 16, 1882, the son of Hugh and Bridget (McAndrew) Moran.

Hugh Moran was born in Ireland and his wife was a native of Archbald. He died in 1883 and his widow later married James Gillespie, of Scranton, who survives her. She died in 1894. By her first marriage Mrs. Moran had the following children: P. J., lives at Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Thomas Barrett, lives at Scranton; and J. F., the subject of this sketch. To James and Bridget (McAndrew) Moran Gillespie three children were born: James, deceased; Mrs. George Barrett, lives at Scranton; and William, lives at Scranton.

In 1899 J. F. Moran completed his early schooling at Archbald and in 1902 received his degree from Stroudsburg State Normal School as an honor student of the class. He is also a graduate of St. Thomas College, Scranton. Mr. Moran has been a member of the faculty of Archbald High School for a period of 25 years and has been principal of this institution since 1906. Throughout his teaching career he has been identified with the school system of Archbald.

Mr. Moran was married on Aug. 4, 1909, to Miss Winifred Caffrey, of Archbald, and they are the parents of three children: Grace, John and Madeline, all students.

Politically, Mr. Moran is a Democrat. He and his family hold membership in St. Thomas Catholic Church, and he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society. He is prominent in the activities of the Pennsylvania State Educators Association, having held several offices in this organization.

H. Lewis Pierce, who has the agency for the Willys-Knight Overland automobiles of Carbondale, is among the city's representative young business men. He was born in Carbondale, May 11, 1893, the son of H. H. and Harriet Pierce.

H. H. Pierce was born in Greenfield and is the son of H. S. and Emma Pierce, who came to Carbondale from Greenfield, Pa., about 1860. During

his active career H. S. Pierce conducted a livery business in this city. He now lives retired. Mr. Pierce served as city assessor for many years. His son, H. H. Pierce is connected with the Thompson Furniture Company of Jermyn, Pa. His wife died in 1913 and is buried at Clifford, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce were the parents of one child, H. Lewis, the subject of this sketch.

H. Lewis Pierce was educated in the grammar and high schools of Carbondale and also attended Lackawanna Business College, Scranton. Since 1924 Mr. Pierce has been interested in the automobile business as agent for the Willys-Knight Overland cars. Besides his Carbondale agency he also maintains sub dealers at Waymart, Clifford, and Lenoxville.

On Nov. 2, 1911, Mr. Pierce married Miss Mildred Baker of Jermyn, Pa., the daughter of Frank P. and Jane (Lewis) Baker. Mr. Baker was born in England and was among the early settlers of Jermyn. He died in 1913 and his widow lives at Jermyn. There are seven children in the Baker family: Lily, married E. B. Nicholson, lives at Scranton; Belle, married Thomas Champion, lives at Carbondale; Walter, lives at Elkdale, Pa.; Della, married L. D. Horn, lives at Port Jervis; Gertrude, married William Rimrom, lives at Carbondale; Ethel, married Arthur Richardson, lives at Scranton; and Mildred Pierce. To Mr. and Mrs. Pierce have been born three children: Walter H., born Dec. 2, 1912; Harriet Jane, born Oct. 6, 1919; and Niles Wesley, born Aug. 16, 1921.

Mr. Pierce is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Carbondale, and belongs to the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

John D. Davis is well known in Carbondale, having served as a member of the city council continuously for a period of 28 years. He is also superintendent of city parks and buildings.

Mr. Davis was born in Wales, Aug. 31, 1851. He came to the United States about 1883 and settled at Carbondale. He was in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company for a period of 42 years, and retired from active service in 1922, in order to devote his entire time to his official duties. During his long years of service as a member of the city council Mr. Davis has never missed a meeting of that body.

Mr. Davis was married in 1879 to Miss Mary Gimmbet, who was born in Glais, Wales, Sept. 9, 1850. She died in 1905 and is buried in Maplewood Cemetery, Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis two children were born: David W., employed by the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company, lives at Carbondale; and Sarah, married, Nov. 9, 1910, Timothy Jones, lives at Carbondale, and they have a daughter, Beth, born in Carbondale, Jan. 2, 1919.

Mr. Davis is a member of the Congregational Church and belongs to the Knights of Pythias. He has always been a Republican. He was elected councilman Nov. 8, 1927, by a majority of 700.

J. L. McClosky, superintendent of Winton Boro High School, has been identified with the school system of Lackawanna County since 1906. He was born at Hawley, Pa., and is the son of John J. and Anna (Kelly) McClosky.

John J. McClosky was born at Hawley, Pa., in 1856. Throughout his business career he was associated with the glass industry of Pennsylvania. He died in 1916 and is buried in St. Philomena's Cemetery, Hawley. His widow still resides at Hawley, where she was born. Mr. and Mrs. McClosky had the following children: Catherine and Elizabeth, unmarried, lives at home; J. L., the subject of this sketch; Dr. Eugene, dentist, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, lives at Mahanoy City, Pa.; Joseph, lives at Hawley; William, lives at Hawley; Mary, died in 1907, was the wife of Jacob Storr, Honesdale, Pa.; Nellie, died at the age of three years; and twin sons, who died in infancy.

J. L. McClosky began his teaching career in Palmyra Township, Lackawanna County, when 17 years of age. He later attended Stroudsburg Normal School, Lackawanna Business College, and St. Thomas College, Scranton. From 1906 until 1923 he served as principal of Jessup High School, and since 1923 has been superintendent of Winton Boro School, having succeeded the late John J. Judge.

Mr. McClosky was married June 16, 1916, to Miss Annabel Purcell, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. They have five children: Mary Clair, born in 1917; Mildred, born in 1918; Eugene, born in 1920; Jack, born in 1922; and Billy, born in 1923.

Mr. McClosky is a member of St. James Catholic Church and is popular throughout the community where he has spent so many years. He is a Democrat.

M. J. Barrett. President of the First National Bank of Jessup, M. J. Barrett is easily one of the dominating forces in the business life of this locality, and a man who enjoys the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. He was born here, Nov. 7, 1868, the son of Michael and Bridget (Caffery) Barrett.

Michael Barrett was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and came to this country, locating at Jessup, in 1854. He settled at Carbondale in 1847 and was employed in the coal mines of that section until the time of his retirement. Mr. Barrett died in 1902 and is buried in the Archbald Cemetery. His wife, also born in Ireland, died at the age of 65 years. Mr. and Mrs. Barrett had eight children, three of whom survive: Mrs. Bridget Walsh, lives at Jessup; Winifred Barrett lives at Jessup; and M. J., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his schooling in the public schools of Jessup, M. J. Barrett engaged in the teaming and trucking business. With his other business interests he has continued in this line of work and now operates a line of motor trucks throughout Lackawanna County. He is also the

founder of the Jessup Flour and Feed Company, of which he is president. Mr. Barrett was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Jessup and has served as president of this institution since 1922.

Mr. Barrett is a member of St. James Catholic Church, Jessup. He is serving his third term as borough controller, which has covered a period of ten years.

Mr. Barrett has always been extensively interested in real estate and owns valuable parcels of land in Jessup and the surrounding county.

M. C. Donnelly is prominently identified with the business life of Dickson City, where he has engaged in business for 40 years. He was born at Owego, N. Y., and is the son of Michael and Margaret (Noonan) Donnelly.

Michael Donnelly, deceased, was also born in Owego, N. Y. His wife was a native of Ireland. Many years ago the family removed to Lackawanna County and settled at Scranton. Later they lived at Jessup, Pa. Mr. Donnelly was employed in the coal mines until the time of his death. His wife is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly were the parents of the following children: Mary Jane Walsh, lives at Dickson City; Mathew, lives in New York; Winifred Walsh, lives at Throop, Pa.; Sarah Smith, lives at Pittsburgh; and M. C., the subject of this sketch.

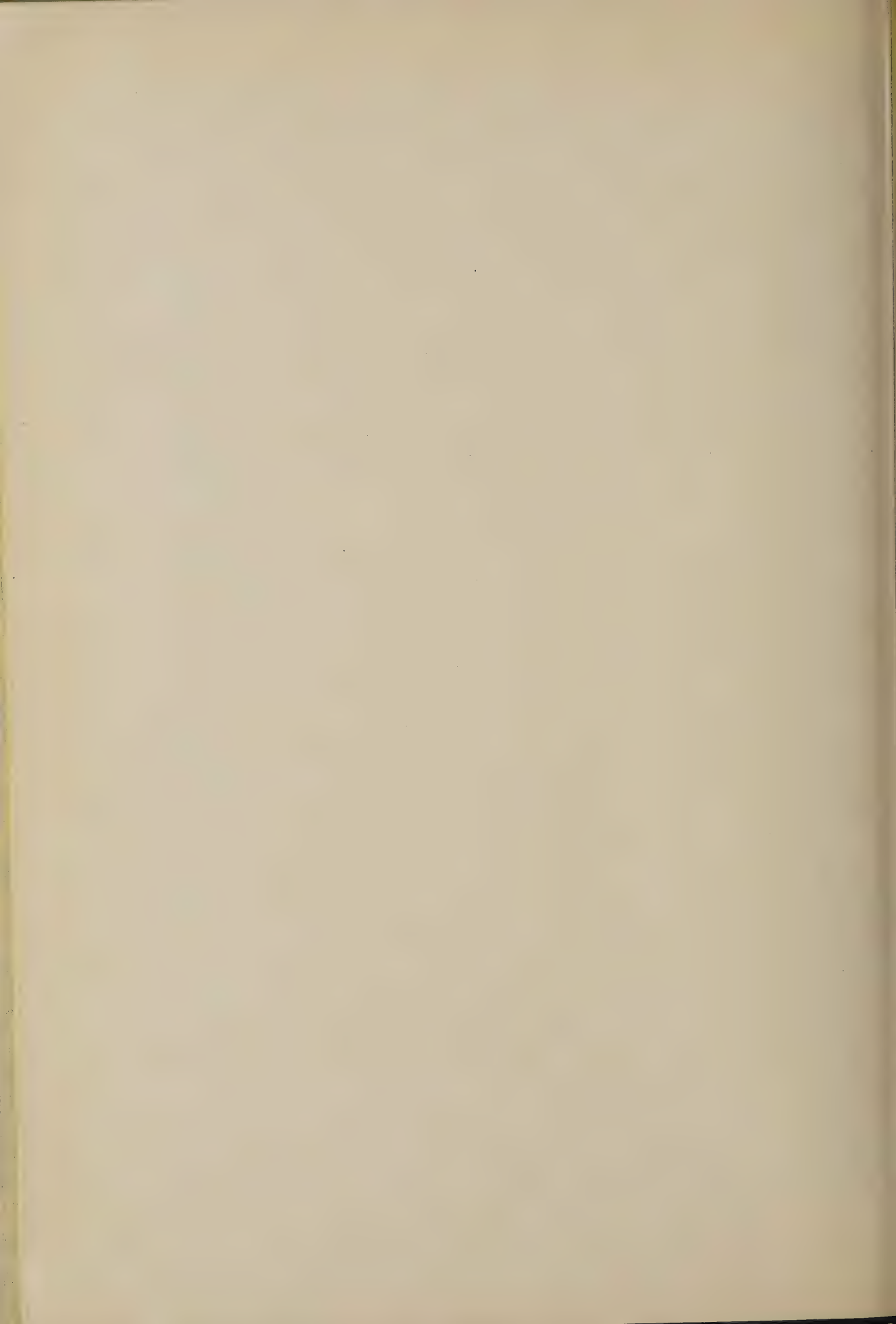
M. C. Donnelly was eight years old when his parents located at Dickson City in 1878. He worked in the coal mines of this region until 18 years of age, at which time he engaged in the barber business for himself in this city. He has owned and operated the same shop continuously for 40 years, and is now practically retired from the barber business. Mr. Donnelly has extensive business interests in the city, being a director and one of the organizers of the Dickson City National Bank, a director of the Fadden Ice Cream Company, and a director of the Lackawanna Thrift Loan Association of Scranton. He has served as a member of the local school board for 15 years, and is now serving as president of that board, having served as such for several years.

On Nov. 26, 1890, Mr. Donnelly married Miss Mary L. Grady of Olyphant. They have six children: Mrs. Anna Kennedy, lives at Dickson City; Frank, assistant manager of the Fadden Ice Cream Company, Scranton; Jerry, gents' furnishing, Scranton; Helen, teacher, Dickson City High School; Cyril, connected with the Scranton Coal Company; and Mollie, stenographer, Keystone Ice Cream Company.

Mr. Donnelly is a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church, and is identified with the Democratic party in politics, and has been very active in county and city politics. Mr. Donnelly was twice a candidate for representative in the fourth legislative district of Lackawanna County. He and his family are highly esteemed in the community.



M. C. DONNELLY



M. F. Lawler, burgess of Jessup, is one of the widely known young men of Lackawanna County. He was born at Jessup, Feb. 2, 1895, and is the son of John and Bridget (Langan) Lawler.

John Lawler, deceased, was a native of Jessup, where he spent his entire life. His wife was born in Scranton. There were ten children in the Lawler family, as follows: Dr. James, a dentist, a graduate of the University of Maryland, lives at Jessup; M. F., the subject of this sketch; Molly, died at the age of six years; Dr. William, dentist, a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, lives at Peckville, Pa.; Joseph, a graduate of the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., lives at Jessup; Harold, attends St. Thomas College, Scranton; John and Bessie, twins, both deceased; Clement, died in infancy; and Donald, lives at home.

M. F. Lawler received his early schooling at Jessup and is a graduate of the Lackawanna Business College, Scranton. When 21 years of age he was appointed postmaster of Jessup, during the administration of President Woodrow Wilson. He filled that office continuously for a period of nine years, and since January, 1926, has served as mayor.

Mr. Lawler is a member of St. James Catholic Church, Jessup. He is unmarried.

Patrick J. O'Malley. Prominent in business and financial circles in Lackawanna County, Patrick J. O'Malley is well known as the cashier of the First National Bank of Jessup. He was born at Shenandoah, Pa., March 5, 1886, the son of Austin and Mary (Grimes) O'Malley.

Austin O'Malley was born in Ireland in 1834 and when a child came to the United States with his parents. They settled at Shenandoah, Pa., where Mr. O'Malley engaged in the hotel business throughout his active career. He died in 1888, and his wife, also born in Ireland, died in 1893. Both are buried in the Annunciation Cemetery, Shenandoah. Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley were the parents of 12 children, five of whom are living: Mrs. John T. Canfield, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Catherine, teacher of music, lives at Shenandoah; Philip, manager of Hotel Harris, Washington, D. C.; John F., lives in Philadelphia; and Patrick J., the subject of this sketch.

When a young man Patrick J. O'Malley was interested in newspaper work. He was employed on the Elmira Telegram, Scranton Republican, and Scranton Daily News. He began his banking career as a clerk in the North Scranton Bank, and later served as teller of that institution. He has been identified with the First National Bank of Jessup as cashier since 1922.

Mr. O'Malley was married June 2, 1923, to Miss Mariam Manley, of Scranton. They have a daughter, Patricia, born in 1924.

Mr. O'Malley is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge of Scranton.

The First National Bank of Jessup is among the leading financial institutions of Lackawanna County. It was founded Dec. 3, 1909, with

the following officers: P. F. Cusick, president; M. J. Barrett, vice president; Peter Basalyga, vice president; Fortunato Tiscar, vice president; and C. M. Carr, cashier. It was organized with a capital stock of \$50,000, and a surplus of \$10,000. In 1927 the capital stock had been increased to \$100,000, with a present surplus of \$75,000. During the past five years deposits have nearly doubled, now amounting to one million, five hundred and ten thousand dollars.

The present officers are: M. J. Barrett, president; M. J. Loftus, vice president; Peter Basalyga, vice president; and P. J. O'Malley, cashier. The following leading business men are responsible for the welfare of this bank and comprise its board of directors: Dr. P. J. Gallagher, Dom. Tribuzi, Patrick A. Murphy, Patrick H. Gallagher, Fortunato Tiscar, Peter Basalyga, M. J. Loftus, Joseph Simoncelli, Alexander Werner, A. J. Smolko, M. J. Barrett, L. D. Savige and P. J. O'Malley.

J. W. Lyons, M. D. A member of the medical profession distinguished by more than 16 years of service in Jessup is Dr. J. W. Lyons, a native of Carbondale, and a member of one of the substantial families of Lackawanna County. He was born Oct. 14, 1885, the son of John and Mary (Murrin) Lyons.

John Lyons was born in Ireland and settled in this country with his parents during the early days. They located in Carbondale, where Mr. Lyons was connected with the coal mining industry. He died in April, 1907, and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery, at Carbondale. His wife, also a native of Ireland, died in 1888, at the age of 30 years. Mr. and Mrs. Lyons had the following children: Mary, married P. F. Cavingston, lives at Carbondale; Elizabeth, unmarried, lives at Carbondale; Nellie Sheehe, lives at Mahaffey, Pa.; Anna, a graduate nurse, lives at Cleveland, Ohio; Dr. Frank K., dentist, lives at Brooklyn, N. Y., was graduated from N. Y. Dental College in 1913; James and Robert, died in infancy; J. W., the subject of this sketch; and Gertrude, died at the age of five years.

J. W. Lyons acquired his early education in the grammar and high schools of Carbondale, and subsequently entered the Medical Chirurgical College at Philadelphia, where he completed his course and received his degree in medicine in 1911. He has since been engaged in the medical and surgical practice at Jessup.

On Sept. 5, 1912, Dr. Lyons was united in marriage with Miss Helen Meehan of Carbondale. She is a graduate nurse, having trained at the Women's Hospital, Kingston, Pa. To Doctor and Mrs. Lyons have been born four children: One child died in infancy; John W., Jr., born July 28, 1915; Helen, born May 9, 1920; and Robert, born Dec. 6, 1922, died at the age of 22 months.

Dr. Lyons is a member of St. James Catholic Church, Jessup, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, and Phi Chi fra-

ternity. He is a member of the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State, and American Medical Associations and is surgeon for the Glendale Coal Company, Winton Coal Company, Rose Coal Company, and Public Service Coal Company.

Gene M. Bisignani, postmaster, is a veteran of the World War, and one of the prominent young men of Jessup. He was born in Italy, Nov. 6, 1890, the son of Thomas and Philomena (Campanella) Bisignani.

Both Thomas Bisignani and his wife were natives of Italy. They came to the United States about 1895 and settled in Scranton. Mr. Bisignani died in Jessup, Nov. 5, 1926. His wife died in Jessup, January, 1919, and they are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Bisignani had the following children: Gene, the subject of this sketch; Alfred, was killed in service during the World War, in France, buried in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D. C.; Adolph, a veteran of the World War, lives at Peckville, Pa.; Leo and Armand live at Jessup; William, who attends St. Thomas College, Scranton; Mary, deceased, and Americo, deceased.

Gene M. Bisignani came to the United States with his parents at an early age and lived in Scranton until he was 18 years of age. He attended the public schools and is a graduate of Scranton Business College. He was employed in his father's grocery business for several years, after which he served as teller of the First National Bank of Jessup, Pa. He then conducted a general mercantile business at Jessup until his enlistment for service in the World War. He served in France with Company E, 103rd Engineers, 28 Division, and was discharged May 16, 1919. Mr. Bisignani was then employed by the Mount Jessup Coal Company, Jessup, as coal inspector until 1924, at which time he was appointed postmaster.

On Oct. 30, 1922, Mr. Bisignani married Miss Mary Rose, of Union, N. Y. They have two sons, Thomas Eugene, born at Union, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1923, and Laurence Arthur, born at Union, N. Y., July 16, 1927.

Mr. Bisignani is a Republican, a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the American Legion and Redmen.

J. H. McGurl is among the representative citizens of Jessup, where he has held the office of justice of the peace for the past 13 years. He was born in this city, Aug. 8, 1884, the son of J. H. and Margaret (Cumings) McGurl.

J. H. McGurl was born at Providence, R. I., in 1852. At an early age he settled in Lackawanna County, and became prominent in the civic life of Jessup, where he served as city treasurer for a number of years. He died in April, 1925, and his widow, who was born at Easton, N. J., is still a resident of Jessup. To Mr. and Mrs. McGurl the following children were born: Agnes and Joseph, both deceased; Bernard, lives at

Jessup; Michael, lives at Salt Lake City, Utah; Nellie, married Patrick Cummings, justice of the peace, lives at Archbald, Pa.; Elizabeth, married James Campbell, lives at Peckville, Pa.; John H., the subject of this sketch; Margaret, married Frank Mackey, lives at Jessup; Frank A., lives at Jessup; Theresa, married Frank Langan, lives at Jessup; Alice and Florence, who live at home.

John H. McGurl went to work in the coal mines of Lackawanna County as a breaker boy when nine years of age. He was employed later by the Jessup Coal Company in various capacities and continued in this line of work until 1925, at which time he resigned as coal inspector for the company.

Mr. McGurl served as burgess of Jessup from 1910 until 1914, as borough clerk from 1922 until 1926, and since 1914 has been justice of the peace. Politically, he is a Democrat.

On Aug. 29, 1906, Mr. McGurl was united in marriage with Miss Anna Clark, of Jessup. To them have been born five children: Mary, Bernard, Thomas, Michael, and Aileen, all at home.

Mr. McGurl is a member of St. James' Catholic Church and is favorably known in the community.

John F. Shaffer.—Prominent among the successful business men of Dickson City is John F. Shaffer, lumber dealer and building contractor. He was born in South Canaan Township, Wayne County, Pa., Nov. 13, 1871, and is a son of Lewis and Elizabeth (Miller) Shaffer.

Lewis Shaffer, retired, is a native of Wayne County, Pa. He was born in South Canaan Township, June 18, 1847, and during his active career owned and operated a fine dairy farm of 108 acres. He now lives retired at Carbondale. His wife was born in Germany in 1850 and died in 1910. Both Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer were members of the Methodist Church. They were the parents of 13 children, of whom John F., the subject of this sketch, was the second in order of birth.

John F. Shaffer spent his boyhood on his father's farm and attended the district schools. When 15 years of age he went to Forest City, Pa., where he learned the carpenter trade. He then was employed in various cities throughout Pennsylvania and in 1900 located at Dickson City, where he engaged in building. Three years later he established his present lumber business, his first yards being destroyed by fire in 1914. In 1916 he took charge of government work at Hog Island, near Philadelphia, Pa., at the head of a number of carpenters. The following year he returned to Dickson City and has since lived here. He owns the city's largest lumber yard and builders' supply house and has a well established business. Mr. Shaffer has erected some of the finest buildings in the community, including the Lutheran Church at Olyphant and the Reese Street Polish Protestant Church in Scranton. He also has been the builder of numerous fine residences.



JOHN F. SHAFFER

Mr. Shaffer was married first on Dec. 21, 1892, to Miss Eliza Stage, of Lake Winola, Pa., who died Jan. 28, 1925. She was the daughter of Dewitt and Senia (Walters) Stage, both deceased. Mr. Shaffer was married June 26, 1926, to Miss Beatrice Feilding, of South Canaan Township, Wayne County, Pa., the daughter of George and Alice (Lamberton) Feilding. She is a graduate of Waymart High School and Stroudsburg State Normal School and was a teacher before her marriage.

Mr. Shaffer is one of the largest stockholders in the Lawrence & Mathews Manufacturing Company, Dickson City, and is a stockholder in the Waymart (Pa.) State Bank.

In politics Mr. Shaffer is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Methodist Church of Waymart, and is affiliated with the Masonic lodge, F. & A. M. No. 291, Scranton.

John D. White, retired, is perhaps one of the oldest residents of Lackawanna County and is the oldest native of Jessup. He was born in 1857 and is the son of Michael and Margaret (Neary) White.

Michael White was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and was among the early settlers of Lackawanna County. He served throughout the Civil War and during his active career was employed in the coal mines of this section. He died about 1869 and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Archbald. His wife, also born in Ireland, died in 1917, at the age of 80 years. To Mr. and Mrs. White three children were born: John D., the subject of this sketch; Mary Ann, married John Manley, lives at Jessup; and Sarah Jane, married Patrick J. Carey, lives at Jessup.

John D. White received his schooling in the first district school of this section, which was taught by Daniel Coleman. During his youth he was employed in the coal mines as a breaker boy. As a result of an accident while still a young man, Mr. White lost an arm. He continued his work, however, in the mines until he had reached the age of 23 years, at which time he became interested in the hotel business in Jessup. Mr. White continued in this line of work until about 1900, when he retired.

Mr. White is a Republican and has been active in the civic affairs of Jessup, having served as a member of the local council for nine years. He is a member of St. James' Catholic Church. He is highly esteemed and widely known in the community where he has spent his entire life.

Mr. White is very interesting in his reminiscences of the pioneer history of Jessup. The town was originally known as Blakely, being part of Blakely Township, which is composed of the towns of Archbald, Peckville, and Olyphant. In 1875 the town was incorporated as the borough of Winton. The first postmaster was John J. Sweeney, whose son is now a resident of Jessup. Other pioneers, now living here, are Mrs. Mahan and Mrs. Gilroy. The first burgess of Winton borough was Charles Sheridan. Other early families known by Mr. White were the Burns, Rocheford, McGurl, Cummings, Loftus, and White families. The

descendants of these early families still reside in Lackawanna County. Samuel Murvus, superintendent of the first coal mine in this section, was one of the most prominent men of his time.

John J. Favini, popular theatre owner of Jessup and Peckville, is one of the representative and successful business men of Lackawanna County. He was born in the northern part of Italy, and has been a resident of this community since 1892.

Mr. Favini received his schooling in Scranton and when a boy worked in the coal mines as a slate picker. He went to New York City when 20 years of age, and was employed there at the Hoffman House, which ranked among the city's leading hostelries at that time. Upon his return to Scranton after several years he engaged in the hotel business. He then removed to Jessup, where he is now interested in the private banking business under the laws of the private bankers of the State of Pennsylvania, dealing in national and foreign steamship tickets, etc. He is also one of the directors of the Peckville Bank. In October, 1909, Mr. Favini opened the first theatre at Jessup, which he has since conducted with marked success, and he also has owned and operated a theatre at Peckville since 1915.

On Jan. 10, 1910, Mr. Favini was married to Miss Mary Garbarino, of New York City, and they have two daughters, Rose and Theresa, both students. A third daughter died in infancy.

Mr. Favini is a Republican, a member of the Church of the Assumption, and is prominent in the activities of the Italo-American Protective Association of Jessup, which he founded a number of years ago. This organization now has a membership of 200 and Mr. Favini served as its president until recently.

James Sweeney, who is successfully engaged in the general mercantile business at Jessup, is a member of a substantial pioneer family. He was born at Jessup, Dec. 27, 1879, the son of John J. and Mary (Byrne) Sweeney.

John J. Sweeney was born at Dunkirk, N. Y., in 1857. He came to Lackawanna County in early manhood and settled at Jessup. He served as burgess of this city, as well as postmaster, being the first to hold the latter office in 1894. He engaged in the livery business for many years and was also well known as a general merchant, having established the business which is now conducted by his son. Mr. Sweeney died in 1920. His wife was born at Jessup in 1857, and was the daughter of James Byrne, of Savannah, Ga. He was among the first settlers of Carbondale and a prominent pioneer of that section. Three sisters survived John J. Sweeney: Mrs. Connors, deceased, Mrs. Donnelly, and Mrs. Mullen, all

of Jessup. To John J. and Mary (Byrne) Sweeney one child was born, James, the subject of this sketch.

James Sweeney was educated in the public schools of Jessup and in early life became associated with his father's mercantile business. He has been sole owner of the organization since 1912 and ranks among the dependable merchants of the city.

Mr. Sweeney married Miss Margaret O'Brien of Scranton and they have two daughters, Anna and Agnes, both students.

Mr. Sweeney has always been a Democrat. He and his family hold membership in St. James' Catholic Church.

Rev. Andrew Dlugos, pastor of the Slovak Catholic Church of St. Michael's at Jessup, is well known among the influential citizens of Lackawanna County. He has been located here as pastor since 1926.

The church at Jessup was founded about 20 years ago with Rev. John Stas as pastor. He was succeeded by Rev. Joseph Mateicka, who is now deceased. The next pastor of this rapidly growing congregation was Rev. Joseph Dulik, who was followed by Rev. John Karnis, Rev. John Porubsky, and Rev. Francis Sternad.

The new building, which is a combination school and church, was erected in 1925 at a cost of \$100,000 and the school now has an enrollment of 375 pupils. Seven sisters make up the faculty (Congregation of Sts. Cyril and Methodius).

Plans are already under way for the erection of a large auditorium in connection with the other church property, which has a total valuation of approximately \$200,000. In the near future they intend to have a new church.

J. H. Kinback. A citizen of the highest standing, J. H. Kinback occupies an enviable position among the substantial business men of Peckville. He was born at Archbald, Pa., Oct. 10, 1866, and is the son of Anthony and Catherine (Ulmer) Kinback. A complete sketch of Anthony Kinback appears elsewhere in this history, with a biography of his son, A. B. Kinback, who is president of the Archbald Bank.

J. H. Kinback attended the grammar and high schools of Archbald, after which he was associated with his father's business in that city. About 1886 Mr. Kinback embarked in business for himself at Jermyn, Pa., where he conducted a furniture and undertaking business until 1907. He has since owned and operated the Kinback furniture business in this city, which is the largest establishment of its kind in this section of the county. Mr. Kinback also conducts the city's only funeral home.

About 1895 Mr. Kinback was married to Miss Ida M. Samson, of Peckville. They have no children.

John Patrick Early, deceased, was among the prominent business men and substantial citizens of Dickson City. He was born at Carbondale, Pa., May 17, 1880, and was the son of Patrick and Mary (O'Malley) Early.

Patrick Early was a native of Ireland. At an early age he emigrated to the United States with his parents and settled at Carbondale, where he became prominent as a stove manufacturer.

John Patrick Early was reared and educated in Carbondale and as a young man was associated with his father's business. In 1904 he became a partner of H. C. Chamberlain, as manufacturers of castings at Olyphant. Two years later Mr. Early disposed of his interests to his partner, and at that date started a stove foundry in Dickson City, which he successfully operated until the time of his death, which occurred March 8, 1926.

The "Dickson" stove, which is a product of this modern plant, is sold throughout the United States. One hundred people are employed by the company, which is now under the able management of Mrs. John Patrick Early.

Mr. Early was married April 25, 1905, to Miss Anna E. Grier, of Dickson City. She was born Dec. 3, 1880, the daughter of Thomas and Ann (Grier) Grier. A sketch of Thomas Grier appears elsewhere in this history. Mrs. Early is a graduate of St. Cecelia Academy, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Early were born five children: Mary, Gerard, and Thomas, at home; Anna and Jack, both deceased.

Mr. Early was a Democrat, a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church, and a charter member of the Olyphant Lodge, Knights of Columbus. He was a man whose thoughts and interests were centered upon his family and home.

Eugene R. Simpson, M. D. Establishing his practice in Peckville in 1920, Doctor Simpson soon was recognized as one of the representative physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was born at Nanticoke, Pa., Sept. 12, 1892, the son of Harry P. and Mary A. (Meyer) Simpson.

Probably few men can pride themselves upon an ancestry so eminently devoted to the service of their country as that which the late Harry P. Simpson, of Peckville, was entitled to claim. During the War of the Revolution his forefathers on both sides served as soldiers in the Continental Army, and their descendants at the time of the Civil War were enrolled in the ranks of those who fought for the preservation of the Union. The part borne by his father's family during the latter conflict was of peculiar and somewhat unusual distinction, a number of the men taking up arms, while more than one of the women ministered to the sick and wounded. The Simpsons are of English blood, the Carbon County, Pa., branch of the race having been founded by the great-



JOHN P. EARLY



great-grandfather of Mr. Simpson. William Simpson, grandson of the emigrant ancestor, married Anna M. Horton, who came of old Revolutionary stock, and their family consisted of five sons and two daughters: George W., mentioned hereafter; William Bushrod, John S., A. J., Amelia, and Margaret. During the Civil War all these sons fought in the United States Army, while the daughter, Amelia, was engaged in relief work in the United States Arsenal. The mother of the family was at the same time the inspirer of the patriotic spirit by which her children were animated and their leader in self-sacrificing service to their country. While her sons were in the field she took charge of a hospital on shipboard and gave freely of her time and strength to the Union cause. She was honored with the friendship of President Lincoln, from whom she received many kind tokens of appreciation of her work. After her death she was interred in the government cemetery at Washington, D. C., as a tribute of respect. George Simpson, son of William G. and Anna M. (Horton) Simpson, was born in 1821, and learned the trade of carpenter and builder, which he followed until the outbreak of the Civil War. He then organized Company I, 67th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, of which he became captain. He served four years and was always one of the most daring and courageous men in the regiment. His bravery was tested, not only on the battlefield but the more severe ordeal of captivity, at the battle of Winchester when he fell into the hands of the enemy and for 21 months languished in the various prisons of the South. At the close of the war he was released and honorably discharged by the government. On his return to civil life he resumed the work of a contractor and builder. Capt. G. W. Simpson married Louise, born in 1827, and the daughter of Abraham and Mahala Horton. The former, who carried on an extensive business in Wilkes-Barre, was the descendant of Revolutionary soldiers, and the latter was a native of Philadelphia. Of the ten children born to Captain and Mrs. Simpson the following are living: Emma A., wife of J. C. Roberts, Jr.; William T.; Anna M., wife of F. P. Dewiller; Mahala, wife of W. W. Davenport; Laura K., wife of J. W. Good; George W., Jr.; John H.; and Harry P., deceased, mentioned hereafter.

William T. Simpson inherited a full share of the martial and patriotic spirit of his ancestors. At the age of 13 years he enlisted as a drummer boy in Company A, 78th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was under the command of General Geary, which is equivalent to saying that he was always in the hottest of the fight. At the end of three years he was honorably discharged but reenlisted and was promoted to the post of chief musician. Captain Simpson, brave soldier, upright citizen, and honorable man, died in 1903, at the age of 82 years and his faithful wife expired the same year, being then 76 years of age.

Harry P. Simpson, son of George W. and Louise (Horton) Simpson, was born Jan. 13, 1857, at Mauch Chunk, Carbon County, Pa., and obtained his education in the common schools of his native town. In early

life he learned the carpenter trade which he followed for eight years. In 1875 he moved to Luzerne County, settling in Nanticoke, where he secured a position as foreman under Superintendent G. T. Morgan at the Susquehanna Collieries. There he remained for the long period of 15 years, during which time he gave entire satisfaction to his employers. He then engaged with the Stevens Coal Company of Pittston, filling the same position. After remaining there a short time he removed in 1891 to Peckville, and entered the service of the Blue Ridge Coal Company as foreman. At the end of seven years this company was purchased by the Scranton Coal Company, to which organization he was transferred in charge of 300 men. Mr. Simpson was a member of Oriental Star Lodge, No. 588, F. & A. M. He was a Republican. Mr. Simpson died in 1918 and is buried at Peckville. He had married Miss Mary A. Meyer, in 1881. She was the daughter of Charles Meyer, of Hazelton, Pa. Three children were born to them: LeRoy C., building contractor, lives at Peckville; Eugene R., the subject of this sketch; and Jennie, a teacher of pipe organ in the Conn School, New York City.

Eugene R. Simpson obtained his early schooling at Nanticoke. He continued his studies in the Keystone Academy, and was graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1919 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He has since engaged in the practice of his profession at Peckville.

In 1921 Doctor Simpson was united in marriage with Miss Mary Jane Ward, of Clark Summit, Pa. She is a graduate nurse. To Doctor and Mrs. Simpson have been born two sons: Richard, died in infancy; and Roy, born in 1924.

Politically, Doctor Simpson is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Doctor Simpson is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State, and American Medical Associations.

Floyd E. Brink is one of the younger business men of Peckville, where he is identified with the Peckville National Bank as cashier. He was born in Scranton, Feb. 21, 1893.

Mr. Brink was reared and educated in Dunmore, attending the public schools. After leaving school he was associated with the old Scranton Republican, later becoming identified with the First National Bank of Dunmore, where he served for three years as bookkeeper and teller. Mr. Brink then studied at the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania. Upon his return to Scranton he entered the employ of the First National Bank as teller. During the World War he served with the rank of first lieutenant and did transport duty between the United States and France throughout the war period. He was associated with the First National Bank of Scranton until 1920, at which time he became local representative of Brown Brothers & Company, investment brokers,

of New York, Philadelphia, and Boston. He has been cashier of the Peckville National Bank since April 1, 1924.

On Aug. 16, 1917, Mr. Brink was married to Miss Gladys I. Miller, of Mexico, N. Y. They have a son, Edward Loren.

Mr. Brink is a Republican, a member of the Peckville Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the American Legion, Lions Club, and Elk View Country Club.

The Peckville National Bank was organized in 1905 and for 22 years has functioned in the interests of the residents and business men of this section of the valley. Its service is founded on long experience, a complete understanding of local needs, and a whole-hearted interest in continued local development. The combined assets of the Peckville National Bank are now over two million dollars, which is convincing proof of careful management.

The officers are: F. H. Hemelright, president; Frank P. Benjamin, vice-president; E. H. Ritter, vice-president; J. H. Schnerr, secretary; and Floyd E. Brink, cashier. The directors are: F. H. Hemelright, Frank P. Benjamin, S. W. Arnold, Peter Propst, E. H. Ritter, W. S. Bloes, John J. Favini, George W. Roberts, John Mack, J. H. Schnerr, James P. McAndrew, and Francis Ham.

Rev. J. S. Thomas, retired minister of the Baptist Church of Peckville, is one of the leading and well known men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Wales, March 4, 1857, and is the son of Thomas and Hannah (Rees) Thomas.

Thomas Thomas, deceased, was a native of Wales and spent his entire life in that country. His wife came to the United States and lived at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., for many years. She is now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were born nine children, of whom J. S., the subject of this sketch, is the only one who survives.

J. S. Thomas was 13 years old when he came to this country. He spent several years at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where he attended the public schools. Later he entered Bucknell University, from which he was graduated in 1882. He also attended the old Baptist Academy at Lewisburg, Pa. His first charge as minister was the parish at Warrensville, Pa., and from there he was transferred to Blakely Borough, where he remained for almost four years. Reverend Thomas then came to Peckville, where he continued as minister of the Baptist Church for a period of 20 years. He has lived here retired since 1922.

Reverend Thomas was married on July 5, 1880, to Miss Elizabeth Powell, a native of Wales, and the daughter of Thomas J. and Mary (Powell) Powell, both deceased. To Reverend and Mrs. Thomas were born ten children, as follows: Garfield, lives in Maryland; Thomas J., lives at Peckville; Milton, lives at Dalton, Pa., Helen, lives at Peckville; Tirzah, a graduate nurse, married a Mr. Stone, lives at Jermyn; Hannah,

County, Pa., and during his entire active career was employed by the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company. He retired in 1917 and died June 11, 1927. His wife, who was born at Prattsville, N. Y., died in 1919, at the age of 62 years. Both are buried in Dunmore Cemetery. Mrs. Pickering was a descendant of Isaac German and Samuel Ives, veterans of the Revolutionary War. Mr. and Mrs. Pickering had one child, Nora L., the subject of this sketch.

Nora L. Pickering has spent practically her entire life at Peckville. She attended the public school and after her graduation from Blakely High School was appointed postmaster of Peckville during the McKinley administration. Miss Pickering had the distinction of being the youngest postmaster ever appointed, and has held the office longer than any other postmaster in Lackawanna County.

Miss Pickering is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Lackawanna County Civic Club of Scranton, and Parliamentary Law Club. She has a wide circle of acquaintances throughout the Valley. In politics she is identified with the Republican party.

T. J. Rogan, justice of the peace, is among the prominent and highly esteemed citizens of Olyphant. He has contributed the following sketch of the city:

Olyphant Borough is situated in the Lackawanna Valley in the heart of the anthracite coal mining region. The borough is so situated that it gives natural drainage, and is considered one of the most healthful towns in the whole coal regions. The population of the town is about 11,000 people and within a radius of one mile there is a population of 60,000 people, making it a business center for this great multitude of people. The town boasts of some of the finest and latest improved breakers where that precious mineral is prepared for consumption. One of the greatest veins of coal comprising about 400,000,000 tons has been lately discovered within the town and the erection of a modern breaker will give employment to thousands of people. Numerous silk mills are in operation. The town is fast growing and gives every indication that within a short time it will be one of the best towns in the Lackawanna Valley. It has connections with all the leading railroads and is within a short distance of the metropolis. Public schools are considered of high standard, the police protection could not be better, and a very efficient fire department composed of four companies is organized for the protection of property and life.

Olyphant is only six miles from the city of Scranton on the east boundary line. The financial condition of the borough is very good and considering the value of the land the taxes are very reasonable, and much lower than in adjoining towns and boroughs. The First National Bank is one of the leading banks in the valley, while the Olyphant Bank is taking its place among the stable institutions of the county. The

Miners Bank is in a very prosperous condition. Some of the most beautiful churches in this region are located in Olyphant. All the various fraternal societies have branches here.

The Borough of Olyphant owns its own electric light plant which is operated under a commission form of government. The streets and churches of the town are lighted free as well as the public buildings. The commission form of operation has been an absolute success, as they furnish excellent light at a minimum rate. Today the plant is estimated to be worth one-quarter million of dollars, all earned by the commission.

Elizabeth Hulse Giaconi, well known as the capable assistant postmaster of Peckville, was born in Scranton, and is the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Hughes) Hulse.

Joseph Hulse was born in England and was among the early settlers of Lackawanna County. He spent 32 years in the employ of the Mount Jessup Coal Company and was later connected with the Ohio & Western Railroad Company. Mr. Hulse now lives retired at Peckville. His wife died in 1922 and is buried in the Prospect Cemetery at Peckville. Mr. and Mrs. Hulse were the parents of four children: Lillian, lives at Peckville; Bertha, died in infancy; Joseph, died in 1897; and Elizabeth the subject of this sketch.

Elizabeth Hulse was reared and educated at Peckville and in 1907 was graduated from Blakely High School. She then took up the study of millinery and until September, 1913, was employed in a local millinery shop. She has since been connected with the Peckville post office and has been assistant postmaster for nine years.

On Oct. 10, 1926, Miss Hulse married Jacob Giaconi, a native of Italy, and a mining engineer.

Mrs. Giaconi is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is a prominent member of the local chapter of the Eastern Star, being past matron during 1922-1923. In politics she is identified with the Republican party.

J. H. Schnerr. The general mercantile house of J. H. Schnerr has long been recognized as one of the substantial business concerns of Peckville. Mr. Schnerr was born in Luzerne County, Pa., Sept. 8, 1862, and is a son of Peter J. and Emma (Best) Schnerr.

Peter J. Schnerr was a native of Pennsylvania. In early life he owned and operated a grist mill in Luzerne County and later engaged in the general mercantile business. He died in 1903 at the age of 65 years. His wife, who was born Aug. 21, 1841, died March 31, 1924. They were the parents of nine children, of whom J. H., the subject of this sketch, was the oldest.

J. H. Schnerr spent his boyhood in Luzerne County and in early life was associated with his father's mercantile business. In 1888 he re-

moved to Winton, where he remained until 1908. He has since been a resident of Peckville, and since 1910 has conducted a general mercantile business at 240 Main Street. Mr. Schnerr served as postmaster of Winton for 16 years. He has been secretary of the Peckville National Bank since its organization in 1905 and also director since its organization.

On Oct. 13, 1883, Mr. Schnerr was united in marriage with Miss Mary Fear, of Stockton, Luzerne County, Pa., the daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Fear, natives of Germany. Mr. Fear died in 1885 and his wife died Nov. 30, 1908, at the age of 82 years. To J. H. and Mary (Fear) Schnerr were born four sons: Claud B., born Sept. 25, 1884, died Jan. 13, 1887; Gordon LeRoy, born Nov. 21, 1887, died June 7, 1926; Walter Winton, born Feb. 12, 1892, associated in business with his father; and Leon Harold, born July 7, 1895, superintendent of the Consolidated Coal Company, Clarksburg, W. Va.

Mr. Schnerr is a Republican and has held the offices of school director and councilman. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with F. and A. M., Chapter, Commandery, and Shrine; Royal Arcanum, and P. O. S. of A. He was treasurer of Winton School District for one term and borough treasurer for two years and also councilman in Blakely Borough for seven years and president for four years.

M. J. Philbin, cashier of the Olyphant Bank, is one of the best known men of Lackawanna County.

Few institutions can parallel the progress that has been made by the Olyphant Bank in the few years since its organization. It was organized in 1909 and opened for business in the building that formerly occupied the site of the present structure. The late James F. Jordan was the first president, and continued in that position until his death in 1921. He was succeeded by Dan G. Jones, who is now president of the bank. George Stuckart was the first cashier. He remained with the bank until 1911, when he resigned to accept a position with the Anthracite Trust Company of Scranton. He was succeeded by the present cashier, M. J. Philbin, who had been serving as paying teller since the organization of the bank. Under Mr. Philbin's direction a period of most remarkable growth and development has continued up to the present time. No greater compliment could be paid to our distinguished townsman than that of the action of the directors of the bank, who, foreseeing the necessity of enlarging the bank's quarters, have brought that vision into fulfillment in the present commodious structure which was erected in 1923. Mr. Philbin by his genial temperament, his kindly and painstaking interest in the needs of the patrons of the bank, and his keen business sagacity, has surrounded himself with a large clientele of men and women whose trust in him and respect for him cannot be measured.

The present officers of the Olyphant Bank are: Dan G. Jones, president; James J. O'Malley, vice-president; M. J. Philbin, cashier; and Wal-

ter Tinsley, assistant cashier. The board of directors consist of the following: Dan G. Jones, John J. O'Hara, James J. O'Malley, James H. Lally, Thomas F. Paddon, Stephen Chappell, E. J. Barthold, W. H. Davis, George Chylak, W. J. Appleman, and Edward Reid.

Renaldo Cappellini, who is president of the United Mine Workers of America, district No. 1, is widely known in Scranton and throughout Lackawanna County. He was born in Rome, Italy, Feb. 5, 1897, the son of Domick and Marie (Augusta) Cappellini.

Domick Cappellini emigrated to the United States from Italy in 1887 and engaged in mining in Pennsylvania. He later returned to his native land and in 1898 brought his family to America. Mr. Cappellini is still employed in the coal mines, and lives in Plains Township, Luzerne County.

As a boy Renaldo Cappellini worked in the mines. He attended the schools of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. On Aug. 12, 1910, Mr. Cappellini met with an accident in the mines, in which he lost his right arm. He has continued his work in the mines, nevertheless, and since 1920 has been identified with the United Mine Workers of America, being one of the founders of the Scranton District in 1923. His office as president expires in 1929. Mr. Cappellini is an able speaker and is in thorough sympathy with the miners in their efforts to obtain better working conditions. He is familiar with the conditions that exist in the mines, as he has spent his entire life in this work.

On Jan. 7, 1921, Mr. Cappellini was united in marriage with Miss Mary Evan, a native of Austria, and the daughter of Frank and Elizabeth Evan. Mr. Evan was killed in a mine disaster in 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Cappellini have two sons: Renaldo Frederick, born March 5, 1923; and Gifferdo Steve, born Feb. 10, 1926.

Mr. Cappellini is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Eagles Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, Sons of Italy, and Columbus Society. He is a Republican and served as president of the board of commissioners of Plain Township, Luzerne County, for five years.

Mr. Cappellini has offices in the Miller Building, Scranton, and the Miners Bank Building, Wilkes-Barre.

Matt Ham. One of Peckville's leading citizens and successful business men is Matt Ham, who is well known throughout this section as a building contractor. He was born here, Oct. 10, 1884, and is the son of Francis and Mary Grace (Bowden) Ham.

Francis Ham, deceased, was a substantial pioneer citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in England and in early life came to the United States. Throughout his business career Mr. Ham was identified with the coal industry of Lackawanna County. He died in 1921 and is buried in Union Cemetery. His wife was also born in England. To Mr.



RENALDO CAPPELLINI

and Mrs. Ham the following children were born: Francis, lives at Peckville; Matt, the subject of this sketch; Vernon and Earl, live at Peckville; Minnie, married William P. Miller, lives at Peckville; Rita, married Edgar Croft, lives at Peckville; and Myrtle, married Andrew Beatty, lives at Peckville.

Matt Ham acquired his education in the public schools of Peckville and for several years was employed in the coal mines here. Later he became interested in the contracting business and is now considered the city's leading builder, having erected approximately 80 houses in the upper valley.

On March 25, 1915, Mr. Ham was married at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to Miss Grace Williams of Peckville. They have five children: Ruth, Joseph, Betty, Lois, and David. Mrs. Ham is prominent in musical circles of the city and is a successful teacher.

Mr. Ham is a Republican and an active member of the Baptist Church of Peckville.

S. J. Mathews. One of the representative men of Olyphant is S. J. Mathews, who has served as postmaster for many years. He was born at Prompton, Wayne County, Pa., Feb. 28, 1863, the son of Rev. R. and Catherine (Evans) Mathews.

Rev. R. Mathews was born in Wales in 1833. He was an early settler of Pennsylvania and a minister of the Presbyterian Church at Olyphant. He died in 1917, and his wife died in 1892. Reverend and Mrs. Mathews were the parents of the following children: John, retired, lives in Scott Township; Catherine, lives in Springbrook Township; and S. J., the subject of this sketch. The following children are deceased: Elizabeth, Daniel, William, Richard, Edward, Thomas, and Benjamin.

S. J. Mathews was seven years of age when his parents removed to Lackawanna County and settled in Springbrook Township. He remained at home until 1881, when he engaged in the general mercantile business at Olyphant. Mr. Mathews continued in this line of work until 1902, when he retired. He has served as postmaster of Olyphant continuously since 1898 with the exception of the administration of President Woodrow Wilson. He has always been prominent in the affairs of the city and served as burgess for two terms. The local post office employs four city carriers, three clerks, and one rural carrier. Free delivery service was instituted here in 1914.

On June 13, 1894, Mr. Mathews was united in marriage with Miss Marjorie Seltzer, of Turon, Kansas. They have three children: Marjorie, born in 1896, married Howard Adams Brown, lives at East Orange, N. J.; Carl, born June 13, 1898, lives at Olyphant; and Kenneth, twin brother of Carl. Kenneth Mathews is a graduate of Olyphant High School, Lehigh University, and in 1927 was graduated from the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is now engaged in the

practice of his profession in Philadelphia. He married Miss Sarah Edwards, of Olyphant, and they have two children, Kenneth, Jr., and Gwendolyn.

Mr. Mathews has always been a Republican. He is a member and trustee of the Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Malta, and Modern Woodmen of America.

Thomas J. O'Hara, optometrist, is well known throughout Lackawanna County, where he has followed his profession for 30 years. Since 1919 he has maintained his offices at Olyphant. Mr. O'Hara was born at Dunmore, Pa., the son of Patrick and Bridget (Reap) O'Hara.

Patrick O'Hara was born in Ireland and was among the first settlers of Dunmore, where he was interested in mining. There were four children in the O'Hara family: Mrs. Langan, lives in Scranton; Patrick, deceased; John, deceased; and Thomas J., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his schooling at Dunmore, Thomas J. O'Hara entered the coal mines. He followed this work for a number of years, later becoming interested in the optical business. Mr. O'Hara is entirely self-educated along his particular line of work and has met with well-deserved success. He has offices in the Cannon Building.

On May 4, 1876, Mr. O'Hara was married to Miss Mary Cummings, a native of Ireland. They were the parents of the following children: Margaret and Mary, both deceased; Catherine, married Joseph Malkeen, lives in Chicago, Ill.; John, lives at Olyphant; Josephine, widow of D. M. Dempsey, lives in Philadelphia; Thomas, lives in Philadelphia; Veronica Schaffer, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; Loretta, lives at Olyphant; J. P., lives at Olyphant; and Hubert, resides at Olyphant.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara are members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Olyphant.

P. F. Langan is one of the substantial men and successful merchants of Olyphant, where he has engaged in the grocery business for the past 22 years. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., March 9, 1868.

The family of P. F. Langan removed to Moscow, Pa., about 1872. He attended the public schools there and when 15 years of age located at Olyphant, where he was employed by the Temple Iron & Coal Company for a period of 18 years. About 1905 he became interested in the grocery business and has since conducted a profitable business at 901 North Valley Avenue.

In 1901 Mr. Langan was married to Miss Mary Gillespie of Olyphant, and to them the following children were born: Mary, lives at home, a graduate of Westchester State Normal School, has been a member of the faculty of Olyphant High School since 1923; Thomas, druggist, lives in Philadelphia; Julia, lives at home, a graduate of Westchester State Nor-

mal School, a member of the faculty of Central School, Olyphant; Doctor Harold, physician, a graduate of Baltimore Medical College, lives at home; Patrick, lives at home; Mildred, was graduated from Olyphant High School in 1927; James, died at the age of 24 years; Alice and Robert, both died in infancy.

Mr. Langan is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Olyphant, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Elks Lodge, Scranton. He has served as a member of the school board for 18 years, and as president of that body for two years and treasurer for nine years. He has also held the office of city treasurer of Olyphant. Mr. Langan has various business interests in Olyphant, being a director in the city banks.

M. J. Shea, Doctor of Chiropractic, Olyphant, is one of the younger but well known members of his profession in Lackawanna County. He was born at Olyphant, and is a son of James and Ella (McNeill) Shea.

James Shea was born in Hawley, Pa. He located in Olyphant in 1887 and was engaged in mining until the time of his death, which occurred in 1926 at the age of 58 years. He is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Olyphant. Mrs. Shea was born in Carbondale in 1872, the daughter of Jeremiah McNeill, one of the early pioneers of Carbondale. She now resides in Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Shea were the parents of five children: John, died at the age of 14 years; Helen lives at home; Michael J., the subject of this sketch; James J., a telegrapher for the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, lives at Olyphant; and Frank, also a telegrapher with the Delaware & Hudson, lives at Olyphant.

M. J. Shea was reared and educated in Olyphant where he attended the public and high school, and at St. Thomas College, Scranton, from which he graduated in 1915. He then entered the Palmer School of Chiropractic at Davenport, Iowa, where he completed the three years course. Immediately after receiving his degree he returned to Olyphant, where he began the practice of his profession in 1923, and is one of the best known men in his profession and has an excellent practice.

On Sept. 4, 1926, Doctor Shea was married to Miss Marie J. Julian, of Rochester, N. Y. Mrs. Shea is a graduate of Nazareth College, Rochester, Battle Creek Physical Culture School, and East Stroudsburg (Pa.) Normal School. She was a teacher of physical education in the city schools of Scranton for four years prior to her marriage. She is a member of the Abington Women's Club, Catholic Daughters of America, the Catholic Club, and an instructor in the Girls' Gymnasium of the Y. M. H. A. of Scranton.

Doctor Shea is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree; Elks Lodge, No. 298, Davenport, Iowa; Abington Men's Club, and one of the organizers of the Business Men's Club of Olyphant, of which he has been secretary since 1924. He is president of the Anthracite Chiropractors' Association of Lackawanna, Luzerne and Wayne Counties. In poli-

tics he is an independent voter. Doctor and Mrs. Shea are members of Our Lady of the Snow parish, Clarks Summit, where their home is located.

Thomas Grier.—Prominently identified with the business life of Dickson City is Thomas Grier, general merchant. He was born in Ireland and is the son of John and Mary (Fleming) Grier.

John Grier emigrated to the United States during the early days and settled at Hawley, Pa. He engaged in railroad work and for a number of years was employed in the building of the Erie Canal. Both Mr. and Mrs. Grier are deceased and are buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. They were the parents of four children, of whom Thomas, the subject of this sketch, is the only survivor.

Thomas Grier was left an orphan at the age of four years. He was educated in the schools of Wayne County and as a boy worked in the coal mines. Later he served as manager of the Elk Coal Company, and since 1902 has engaged in the general mercantile business at Dickson City, where he has met with unusual success.

In October, 1877, Mr. Grier was united in marriage with Miss Anna Grier, of Providence, Pa. She died in 1917, and is buried in St. Rose's Cemetery, Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Grier the following children were born: Clara, a graduate of Dickson City High School, lives at home; Mary, a graduate nurse, lives in Philadelphia; John, lives at Dickson City, married Genevieve Casey of Scranton, and they have three children, Mary, Thomas and Ann; Anna, the widow of John P. Early, lives at Dickson City, has three children, Thomas, Gerald, and Mary; Leonora, a graduate of Bloomsburg State Normal School, is a member of the faculty of Dickson City High School; and Joseph, lives in Philadelphia.

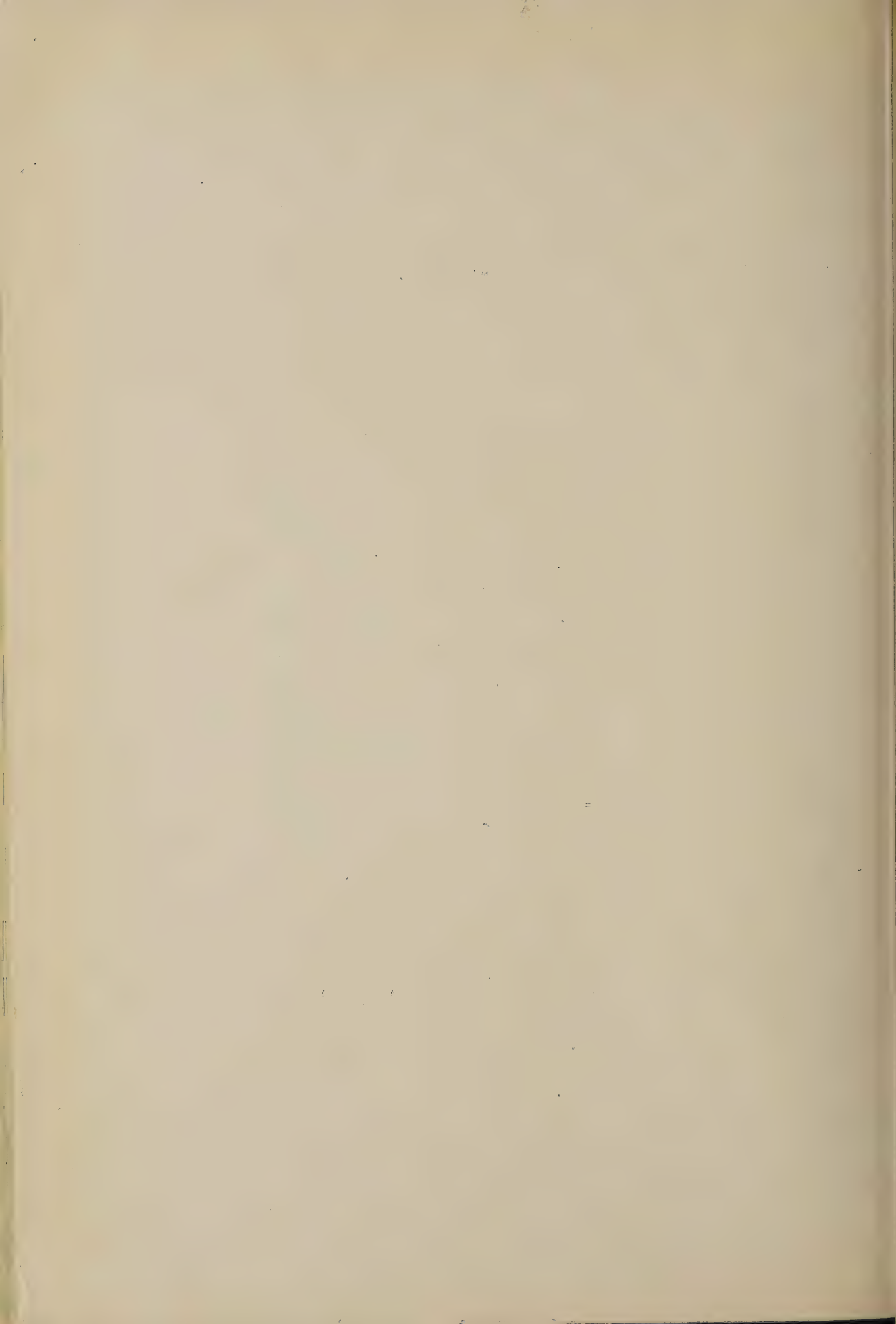
Mr. Grier has been a director of the Blakely County Farm for 24 years. He is a Democrat and has always manifested a keen interest in politics. In civic affairs, Mr. Grier is a leader and is largely instrumental in aiding the rapid growth of the city.

Andrew Blaniar is a veteran of the World War and a member of one of the earliest Slavonic families of Lackawanna County. He was born at Olyphant, Dec. 2, 1892, the son of Harry and Anna (Lasko) Blaniar.

Harry Blaniar, deceased, was for many years one of the prominent business men of Olyphant. He was born in Krizi-Sariski County, Czechoslovakia, in 1862, and when 15 years of age emigrated to the United States and settled at Olyphant. He was employed in the coal mines of this section in early life and later conducted the Blaniar Hotel in this city. He became one of the successful men of the community and was the owner of much valuable real estate. He served as borough treasurer



THOMAS GRIER



for two years. Mr. Blaniar died April 9, 1924, and is buried in the Peckville Cemetery. He was one of the first members of All Saints' Greek Catholic Church, Olyphant, which is the second oldest church of that denomination in the United States. The Blaniar Hotel is now operated by his widow. To Mr. and Mrs. Blaniar the following children were born: Andrew, the subject of this sketch; Anthony, lives at Olyphant; Mary, the widow of George H. Pawlush, lives at Olyphant; Helen and Michael, both at home.

Andrew Blaniar was educated in the grammar and high schools of Olyphant and attended Lackawanna Business College, Scranton. For several years he worked on the Olyphant Gazette and was later employed in the office of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company in Scranton. During this time he attended the Scranton branch of the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania. During the World War he served in France as a member of the 316th Infantry, 79th Division, and participated in many important engagements. After his discharge from the service Mr. Blaniar attended Temple University, Philadelphia. Since completing a course in finance at that institution, he has been employed by the United Mine Workers Union as check weighman. He has served as borough controller of Olyphant since Jan. 4, 1926.

Mr. Blaniar is a Republican and has served as judge of elections. He is a member of All Saints' Greek Catholic Church. Mr. Blaniar is not married.

Patrick B. Dempsey is a progressive business man of Olyphant, where he has successfully engaged in the hotel business for more than 20 years. He was born in Ireland, July 1, 1882, and is the son of Patrick and Bridget (Gallagher) Dempsey.

Patrick Dempsey was born in County Mayo, Ireland. He came to the United States in 1883 and located in Olyphant. He became a prominent man in this city and conducted a hotel business here until the time of his death in 1920. His wife, also born in Ireland, died May 24, 1927. To Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey 14 children were born, five of whom survive: M. J., lives at Washington, D. C.; Patrick B., the subject of this sketch; T. F., lives at Tampa, Fla.; James B., lives at Tampa; and Anastasia Severs, lives at Olyphant.

After attending the public schools of Olyphant, Patrick B. Dempsey entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company, remaining in the employ of this concern continuously from 1892 until 1906. He has since owned and operated the hotel in Olyphant, which was founded by his father.

On April 21, 1923, Mr. Dempsey was married to Miss Clara Lyons, of Olyphant.

Mr. Dempsey served as mayor of Olyphant from 1918 until 1926. During his administration numerous improvements were made in the

city's form of government. The salary of the chief of police was increased from \$85 to \$185 per month, that of patrolman from \$75 to \$175 per month, and that of city laborers from \$2 to \$4 per day. Numerous streets were paved, a new swimming pool and bath house erected, and a traffic signal system installed.

Mr. Dempsey is a Democrat, a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elk and Eagle Lodges, Scranton.

Mr. Dempsey has always been interested in athletics and for 27 years played amateur baseball and served as manager of the Olyphant Browns.

Dell Reynolds is a highly esteemed citizen of Olyphant, where he has been a resident for the past 30 years. He was born in Damascus Township, Wayne County, Pa., July 22, 1869.

Mr. Reynolds spent his boyhood on a farm in Damascus Township and received his education in the district schools. He engaged in the livery business in New York for several years, and about 1897 settled in Olyphant, where he has since lived. He conducted a hotel for five years before accepting the position of superintendent of the Blakely Infirmary in 1911 and he held this office for three years. Since 1914 he has owned and operated a hotel here, which is located at 100 Lackawanna Avenue.

Mr. Reynolds was married on June 15, 1898, to Miss Ella Farrell, of Cohocton, N. Y., and to them were born three children: Otto, died in infancy; Gaylord V., a graduate of Olyphant High School and Mansfield State Normal School, lives at Olyphant, married Miss Baralsa Cummings, and they have a son, Dell; and Irene, a graduate of Olyphant High School, being valedictorian of the class of 1919, also a graduate of Westchester State Normal School and Pennsylvania State College, now a teacher in the schools of Ithaca, N. Y.

Mr. Reynolds is a Republican and holds membership in the Baptist Church.

W. H. Conway, M. D. An experienced physician and public-spirited citizen, Dr. W. H. Conway is numbered among the representative men of Lackawanna County, and is one who has honorably won the position he holds in his profession. He was born at Meshoppen, Pa., May 12, 1876, and is a son of Patrick and Bridget (Hannigan) Conway.

Patrick Conway and his wife were natives of Ireland. Their marriage took place in England and they later came to the United States and settled in Scranton, where Mr. Conway was associated with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He died in 1918 and his wife died in 1900. They are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Conway the following children were born: Mrs. John D. Baxter, lives at Scranton; Margaret, unmarried, lives at Scranton; Ed-

ward, died in 1917; Martin, lives at Scranton; and W. H., the subject of this sketch.

W. H. Conway attended the grammar and high schools of Scranton, his family having settled there when he was 15 years of age. Later he attended the University of Maryland, from which he took his degree as Doctor of Medicine in 1905. For a year thereafter he served as interne of Mount Hope Hospital, and he also served as resident physician at St. Vincent's Hospital, Bridgeport, Conn., for one year. He came to Olyphant in 1907 to engage in the practice of medicine with offices at 130 Main Street, Blakely. He has been medical director of Mid-Valley Hospital since 1918.

On April 17, 1911, Doctor Conway was united in marriage with Miss Sara Murphy of Scranton, the daughter of Michael Murphy, who is deceased. They have a son, William H., born Sept. 23, 1916. He attends the McDonogh School of Maryland, near Baltimore.

Doctor Conway is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree, and Scranton Country Club. He is a prominent member of the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State and American Medical Associations.

Dr. Joseph A. Carr. An experienced physician and prominent citizen, Doctor Carr is numbered among the representative citizens of Olyphant, and is one who has honorably won the position he holds in his profession. He was born in Olyphant, Pa., July 15, 1891, the son of Bernard J. and Catherine (Reddington) Carr.

Bernard J. Carr was born in County, Mayo, Ireland, as was his wife. They were early settlers of Lackawanna County, where Mr. Carr was employed for many years at his trade as a carpenter. He died in 1920 and his wife died during the same year. Both are buried in St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery, Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. Carr were the parents of the following children: Robert, died in 1923 at the age of 37 years; Mary and Elizabeth, live at Olyphant; and Joseph A., the subject of this sketch.

Doctor Carr attended the grammar and high schools of Olyphant and is a graduate of St. Thomas College, Scranton. He studied medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his degree in 1919. The following year was spent as interne in St. Joseph's Hospital, Philadelphia, and in October, 1920, Doctor Carr was engaged in practice at Olyphant. He has offices in his home at 411 Grant Avenue.

On Oct. 27, 1923, Doctor Carr was united in marriage with Miss Eleanor Marie Bonner, of Philadelphia.

Doctor Carr is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is also a member of the staff of Mid-Valley Hospital. He is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, third degree.

Peter "Pete" Latzo, former welter-weight champion of the world, is well and favorably known in Scranton, where he resides. He was born at Coleraine, Pa., Aug. 1, 1902, and is the son of Michael and Suzanna (Talak) Latzo.

Both Michael Latzo and his wife were born in Austria Hungary. About 1897 they emigrated to the United States and located at Coleraine, Pa., where Mr. Latzo worked as a miner. He later removed to Parkview, Pa., where he was interested in the cafe and restaurant business until the time of his death, which occurred in 1911. He is buried at Hazelton, Pa. His widow lives at Taylor, Pa. Mr. Latzo was a Republican in politics. There were eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. Latzo, as follows: Steve, lives at Hazelton, Pa., was at one time interested in boxing; Michael, lives in Scranton, married Miss Victoria Snowpeck; Anna, married Francis Kauchek, who is assistant cashier of the Taylor (Pa.) Discount & Deposit Bank; Joseph, lives at Taylor, Pa.; Peter, the subject of this sketch; John, a medical student; Mary and George, both at home.

Peter Latzo was educated in the public schools of Hazelton and Taylor, Pa., and at an early age learned the carpenter trade. He came to Scranton and later worked as a breaker in the coal mines of this section. It was during this time that he became interested in boxing with George Walsh as his trainer and adviser. Mr. Latzo's ring career follows: (1919) Reg Ferguson, three rounds, knockout for Latzo; Frankie Dehat, five rounds, knockout for Latzo; Ed Milhelm, two rounds, knockout for Latzo; K. O. Grant, two rounds, knockout. (1920) Mickey Malloy, three rounds; Frankie McCarthy, six rounds; and Ren Carlin, six rounds; (1921) Jake Shuffer, one round; Harry Twiner, two rounds; Nick Kid Moon, six rounds; and Jimmie Sullivan, seven rounds; (1923) George Erne, five rounds; Wally Hinkle, two rounds; (1924) Frankie Quill, three rounds; (1925) Patsy Haley, two rounds; Eddie Bumbrook, two rounds; and Manny Owens, four rounds. The above bouts were all knockouts. The following were no decision: (1919) Charlie Warren, Allen Crowley, Jake Henry, Jos. Shugars, and Billy Gannon. (1920) Joe O'Neill, Al Reynolds, Willie Ritchie, George Reynolds, Al Murphy, Johnny Malone, Frankie Venchall, and Jimmy Shevlin. (1921) Al Dewey, George Reynolds, Sammy Berne, Sid Logan, Tim Droney, Johnny Herman, Barney Adair, and Jack Palmer. (1922) Al Norton, Frank Schoell, Jack Palmer, Al Brown, Marty Summers, Dave Slade, Paul Doyle, Billie Wells, Eddie Shevlin, George Ward, Tim Droney, and Sailor Friedman. (1923) George Ward, Johnny Karr, Frankie Schoell, Champion Mickey Walker, and Jimmy Jones; (1924) Willie Harmon. (1925) Billy Wells. The following are bouts won by Mr. Latzo: (1921) Jimmy Duffy, 12 rounds; (1922) Jack Palmer, ten rounds; (1923) Paul Doyle, ten rounds, and Johnny Nichols, 12 rounds; (1924) George Ward, 10 rounds, Billie Wells, George Ward, Harry Galfund, K. O. Phil Kaplan, Leach Cross, Frankie Venchall, Morris Herman; (1925) Jack Rappaport, Willie Harmon, George Lavinge, Joe Gans, and Bobby Barrett. The following are bouts lost: (1924)



PETER ("PETE") LATZO

Frankie Schoell, ten rounds; (1925) Billy Wells, ten rounds; and Morris Schlaifer, three rounds. The following bouts were won by Mr. Latzo in 1926: Jan. 4th, Joe Gans; Jan. 25th, Joe Carlo, knockout by Latzo in first round; Feb. 12th, M. Schlaefer, won by Latzo; March 22nd, George Russell, nine rounds; May 20th, Champion Mickey Walker, won by Latzo for welter-weight championship in ten rounds; June 29th, Willie Harmon, won by Latzo in five rounds; July 9th, George Levine; July 16th, Ted Nelson; and Dec. 8th, Joe Simonovich, no decision.

On June 3, 1927, Pete Latzo lost the title of welter-weight champion to Joe Dundee in New York City in a fifteen round bout.

On Nov. 25, 1925, Mr. Latzo was married to Miss Catherine Mary McHale, the daughter of Dr. Peter F. and Mary Jane (Burns) McHale, of Lackawanna County. Doctor McHale, one of the first Doctors of Chiroprody in Scranton, is well known in the city. There are four children in the McHale family: Frank, lives at Syracuse, N. Y.; Peter, lives at Providence, Pa.; Dr. Sterling, Chiroprdist, lives at Pittston, Pa.; and Catherine Latzo. Mrs. Latzo is a graduate of Holy Rosary Academy and Mt. St. Mary's College. Mr. and Mrs. Latzo's only child, Peter, Jr., died in infancy. He was born Sept. 4, 1926.

Mr. Latzo is a Republican, a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, and belongs to the Elks and Eagles lodges, Holy Name Society, and Abington Hills Country Club. He lives at 825 Madison Avenue, Scranton.

F. B. Hamilton, D. D. S., who for 17 years has been identified with the town of Olyphant, having opened his dental offices there in 1910, is a son of F. P. and Mary A. (VanWagoner) Hamilton.

F. P. Hamilton was born at St. Paul, Minn., in 1858, and spent the greater part of his life in that section, where he was connected with railroad work as trainmaster. Later he lived at Scranton where he was identified with the Scranton & Binghamton Railroad Company. Mr. Hamilton died in June, 1924, and is buried in Laurel Grove Cemetery, Paterson, N. J. His widow resides at 713 Monroe Avenue, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton had one child, F. B., the subject of this sketch.

F. B. Hamilton was born at Paterson, N. J., April 7, 1886. He passed his early boyhood in the town of his birth and attended the public schools. In February, 1902, he came to Scranton with his family and four years later was graduated from Scranton High School. He received his degree, D. D. S., from the University of Pennsylvania in 1909, and spent the following year in post graduate work at the university. He was then associated in practice with Dr. J. J. Mathias for six years, and in 1910 chose Olyphant as his residence and there he has built up an extensive practice. He is vice-president of the Mid-Valley Dental Association.

On June 27, 1912, Doctor Hamilton married Miss Olyve Price, the daughter of Thomas J. and Margaret (Jones) Price. Mr. Price, deceased,

was well known for many years as alderman from the Thirteenth Ward in Scranton. His widow resides on Washington Avenue, Scranton. Doctor and Mrs. Hamilton have two children: Jean A., born in 1915; and F. B., Jr., born in 1920.

Doctor Hamilton is a member of the Blakely Baptist Church and belongs to the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, of which he is a charter member; is Past Master of Kingsbury Lodge, No. 466, F. and A. M., Blakely; a member of the Lions Club, and the Olyphant Professional Business Men's Club. He is a member of the Blakely council.

J. H. Flesher, D. D. S. Prominent among the successful young dentists of Lackawanna County is Doctor Flesher, who has an extensive practice at Olyphant, with offices at 205 Lackawanna Avenue. He was born in this city, Dec. 16, 1889, and is the son of Joseph and Julia (Stronzer) Flesher.

Joseph Flesher, who lives at Throop, in Lackawanna County, is a native of Austria-Hungary. He came to this country about 40 years ago and has since been a resident of this county. For a number of years Mr. Flesher was interested in the hotel business. He now lives retired. Mr. and Mrs. Flesher are the parents of the following children: Anna, married Stephen Ockovitz, lives at Olyphant; J. H., the subject of this sketch; Margaret, lives at home; Julia, lives at home; Pauline, twin sister of Julia, married Alexander Hudak, lives at Scranton; John, lives at home; Theresa, married Dr. F. V. Vitkoski, lives at Dickson City, Pa.; Isabel, lives at home; and Helen, lives at home.

After completing his early schooling at Throop, J. H. Flesher entered St. Thomas College, Scranton. He also attended St. Vincent's College at Latrobe, Pa., and in 1911 was graduated in dentistry from the Medico-Chirurgical College at Philadelphia. He then located at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and later practiced at Jamestown, N. Y., before locating in Scranton, where he remained for almost two years. Doctor Flesher has lived at Olyphant since 1915, where he has established an excellent practice.

On June 8, 1914, Doctor Flesher was united in marriage with Miss Marie Pauline Mikulevicz, of Wilkes-Barre, and they have three children: Frances, Joseph, and Eugene.

Doctor Flesher is a member of the Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Olyphant. Politically he is identified with the Republican party.

John J. Weiland, superintendent Amalgamated Silk Mills, Blakely, is one of the substantial business men and well known citizens of the community in which he lives. He was born in Scranton, May 11, 1881.

Mr. Weiland spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his education in the public schools. He has always been identified with the silk industry and began his business career with the Saquoit Silk Company,

with whom he remained for 27 years. He has been connected with the Amalgamated Silk Mills since 1919 as superintendent. This company owns and operates three plants in Scranton. The local plant, which was established about 20 years ago, employs approximately 400 people, and occupies a modern factory building.

Mr. Weiland was married April 30, 1902, to Miss Amelia Phaflar at Scranton. They have two sons: Chester, born in 1903; and Kenneth, born in 1905.

Mr. Weiland is a Republican, a member of the Lutheran Church of Scranton, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Modern Woodmen of America.

John A. Mayne. Numbered among the responsible young business men of Olyphant is Mr. Mayne, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Jermyn, Pa., Nov. 11, 1893, the son of John and Catherine (Jones) Mayne.

John A. Mayne, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He died in 1898 and his widow resides at Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. Mayne were the parents of four children: John A., the subject of this sketch; Sarah, married Ralph E. Priest; Pearl E., married Willis MacElroy; and Margaret, married John Meleuish. The three daughters reside at Blakely.

John A. Mayne attended the public schools of Scranton and at an early age became identified with the undertaking business of D. J. Jones & Sons, Olyphant. In 1919 he was graduated from the Eckels School of Embalming, and for the past five years has engaged in business for himself in Blakely Borough. He is identified with the Lackawanna County Undertakers Association and the National Funeral Directors Association.

During the World War Mr. Mayne volunteered for service and went to France as a member of Company K, 109th Infantry, serving with the rank of sergeant. He was wounded and gassed, Sept. 6, 1918, during an engagement at Magneaux. He spent two months in a base hospital, and was temporarily blind and speechless. After his discharge from the hospital he was transferred to the First Company, Second Training Battalion, 154th Depot Brigade, at Camp Meade, Md. He was discharged from the service after a period of four years, 11 months of which were spent in France.

Mr. Mayne was married Oct. 15, 1919, to Miss Melba Evans, of Blakely, the daughter of Edward and Mary (Williams) Evans. Mr. Evans is district superintendent of the Scranton Coal Company and lives in Blakely. Mrs. Mayne is a graduate of Bloomsburg State Normal School, and for four terms was a member of the faculty of Blakely High School. To Mr. and Mrs. Mayne have been born two children: John A., Jr., born April 28, 1922; and Marilyn, born Aug. 26, 1926.

Mr. Mayne is commander of American Legion Post, No. 570, Blakely. He is past master of Kingsbury Masonic Lodge of Olyphant; past com-

mander of Eureka Knights of Malta, and is past president of the Lions Club. He is a member of the Junior Order of United Mechanics, member of the Scranton Aerie of Eagles, and is a director of Blakely Good Will Association.

Madison F. Larkin.—One of the most successful business men of Scranton and representative citizens of Lackawanna County may be found in Madison F. Larkin, who has filled the several offices of chief accountant, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary and controller during the past 30 years with the International Correspondence Schools; treasurer of the Scranton Life Insurance Company; former treasurer of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce for 14 consecutive years; and formerly member of the Prohibition State Executive Committee of the Prohibition party, in which he is a strong influence; former president of the Laymen's Association of the Wyoming Conference; ex-president of the Men of Elm Park; and chief of secretaries for the Billy Sunday Campaign in 1914.

He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, Oct. 15, 1855, the son of Joseph F. and Julia Ann (Stark) Larkin.

Joseph F. Larkin was born in Clermont County, Ohio, Jan. 12, 1821. In early life he was a merchant and later a banker. He was married in 1844 to Emeline Wood. His second marriage was to Julia Ann Stark. To this union three sons were born: Madison F., the subject of this sketch; Albert M., a banker, lives in Newport, Ky.; and Dr. Francis M., executive secretary of the California State Federation of Churches, with headquarters at Los Angeles, Cal.

The boyhood of Madison F. Larkin was spent in Cincinnati, Ohio, and he went to school with Chief Justice William Howard Taft. He attended Ohio Wesleyan College.

Mr. Larkin started as a messenger boy in the private banking house of Larkin, Wright and Company of which his father was senior member. In 1875, his health failed, forcing him to choose between a pleasant position and early death or a rough-and-ready life in the open with a chance to live. He determined to live, went to Texas, joined a company of cattle drovers and threw himself heart and spirit into the rigorous ranch life of the time.

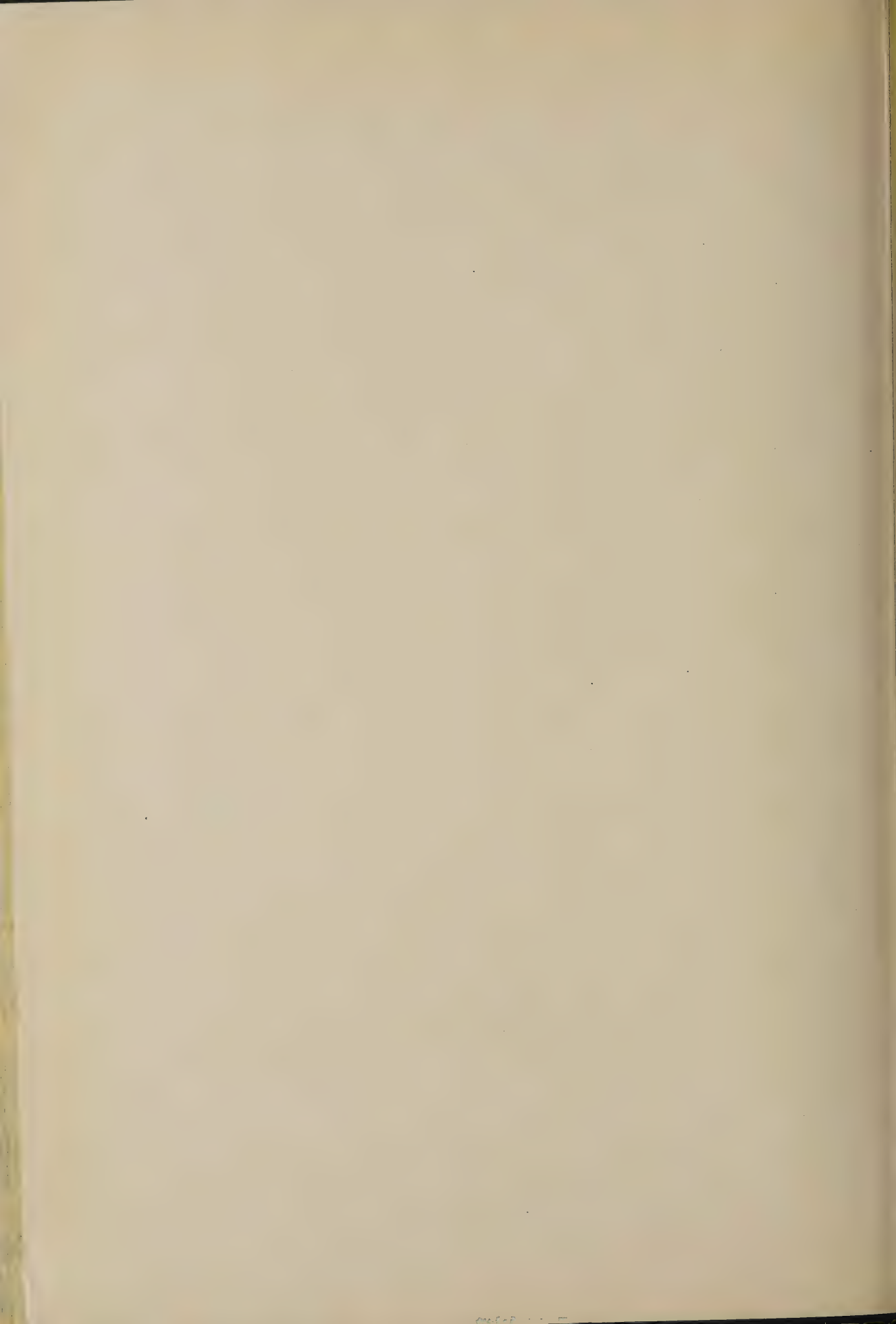
Herdling cattle and living out in the open brought back the bloom to his cheeks and he was ready for any kind of rough life.

Having an uncle in Arizona, who was an Indian trader, he packed up and went to Phoenix, where he found employment in a general store.

When Wells Fargo and Company started the express business in Arizona, through the general superintendent of the company, who was a brother to his mother's friend from young womanhood up, he was appointed the first agent in Arizona. Besides handling the agency he also took the part of the messenger who carried a short double barrelled



Wm. D. Lamm



shot gun and guarded the silver bullion being shipped from the Tip Top Mining Company's mill to San Francisco. Many thrilling experiences came to his lot but he came through without a scratch.

In 1877, when the Legislature met in Tucson, Colonel Woolsey, who was the big politician in those days, took him to the session and had him appointed clerk of the committee on Territorial Affairs.

When back in Phoenix, an offer was made him to go to Prescott to take the place of the cashier of the Bank of Arizona, as the cashier was going to Phoenix to start a branch of the Bank of Arizona.

His love for Phoenix was so strong that he made every effort to get back and when the assistant superintendent of Wells Fargo and Company offered to give him back the agency at Phoenix and the man who opened the branch bank of the Bank of Arizona offered him a position in the bank, and the stage company offered him their agency at Phoenix, giving him a nice salary from the combined positions, he took the matter under advisement and was told to give his answer to the assistant superintendent of the express company at Tucson. When he decided to take the three positions, instead of wiring the assistant superintendent that he had decided to go to Phoenix, he wrote a letter accepting and sent it to Tucson, stating that he would be in Phoenix on a certain date to take over the positions. Unfortunately his letter never did reach the assistant superintendent and when he arrived in Phoenix found that another man had been selected, the assistant superintendent saying he thought Larkin had decided not to come and employed the other man.

This was a terrible disappointment and he went back to Prescott where Captain Ainsworth found a place for him with the Chief Quartermaster, Major Grimes. In talking with Major Grimes, he discovered that the major had gone to school with his mother in their youth.

In 1881 Mr. Larkin returned East and was employed by the United States National Bank of New York. Later he became president of the East End Lumber Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, which he was identified with for seven years. He then returned to the banking business and was connected with the Market National Bank of Cincinnati until 1897. Mr. Larkin then went to Kansas City, Mo., where he was associated with the National Surety Company before they moved their offices to New York City. Through his friendship with T. J. Foster of Scranton, he was urged to accept the position as chief accountant with the International Correspondence Schools, of which he later became assistant treasurer. On Dec. 1, 1902, he became controller.

Mr. Larkin has always been a strong worker in the interests of the Prohibition party and in 1910 he was the Prohibition candidate for governor of Pennsylvania. In spite of the fact that the local optionists gave their support to an independent Democrat, Mr. Larkin proved a formidable contestant and polled a flattering vote. In 1912 there was a widespread movement among Prohibitionists to make Larkin their candidate for president, but illness kept him from making the fight. Not-

withstanding his impaired health he accepted the nomination for Congress from the 10th Pennsylvania district and set thousands of people asking "Why not Larkin?"

Madison F. Larkin is a Prohibitionist whose convictions recognize no middle ground. Realizing, as all thinking people must realize, that in a national Prohibition law only is a remedy for the liquor blight to be found, he will neither lend himself to makeshifts nor stultify himself with compromises. He may not have the honor to lead his party in the hour of its triumph, but he will have the satisfaction of knowing he bore an honorable part in bringing the triumph about.

In person and character Mr. Larkin is a fine exemplification of what Prohibition means. Clean and straightforward, healthy and happy, admired, respected, and successful, he may well stand as the personification of the ideals they hold who would end the dominion of alcohol and give to mankind the priceless treasure of universal sobriety.

Mr. Larkin is placed in a unique position as regards the presidential chair. His father was a playmate of General U. S. Grant, his mother was a school chum of Lucy Webb Hayes, wife of President Hayes; he was a school mate of President William Howard Taft; and Woodrow Wilson's brother married his cousin and he, himself, was offered the nomination for President on the Prohibition ticket in 1912.

Mr. Larkin is of English descent and traces his ancestry back to the 12th century. The first American branch of this family located in Virginia early in the 18th century.

He is not a fanatic. He is not a crank. He is not what the inelegant but expressive phraseology of our times designate as a "grouch."

He is a well-balanced, clear-headed, sunny-tempered, successful business man. What he believes in he fights for with all the powers of his soul and body, sparing neither himself nor the evil he would destroy.

He is an American in every sense of the word, who is proud of his citizenship and confident of the greatness in the future of his country. He is well acquainted with human nature and a student of mankind.

That the community he lives in esteems his abilities no less than his character is proved by the positions he holds and has held.

J. J. Price, M. D. One of the foremost physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County is Doctor Price, who has successfully engaged in the practice of his profession at Olyphant for 30 years. He was born at Kingston, Pa., Dec. 16, 1873, and is the son of John and Sarah (Evers) Price.

John Price, who lives retired at Edwardsville, Pa., is a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Ireland in 1843, and at the age of 18 years came to the United States and settled near Kingston, Pa., where he was employed in the coal mines. In 1879 he went to Leadville, Colo., during the famous silver rush. Later he returned to Pennsylvania, where

he has lived retired for 30 years. His wife was a native of England. She died in May, 1908, and is buried in Luzerne County, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. Price were born eight children, six of whom died in infancy. The remaining two were: J. J., the subject of this sketch; and Charles, who died in 1907. He was graduated from the School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, in 1901, and engaged in practice at Avoca, Pa.

J. J. Price attended the public schools of Kingston and is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary. After a medical course at the University of Maryland, he graduated with the class of 1896 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He spent the following year at Sugar Notch, Pa., where he engaged in general practice. He established his offices at Olyphant in 1897 and has continued there to the present time. Doctor Price is a member of the American, State and County Medical Associations.

On Oct. 22, 1902, Doctor Price married Miss Rose Mack, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. They had two sons: John was graduated from Olyphant High School and St. Thomas College; and Charles, died at the age of 12 years.

Doctor Price is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, and Elks Lodge, Scranton. In politics he is identified with the Democratic party.

Edward Scriven, owner of Scriven's Confectionery Store, Olyphant, is recognized as one of the leading young business men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Olyphant, Oct. 21, 1904, the son of William and Mary Ann (Roberts) Scriven.

William Scriven was born in England. He came to America when a young boy and settled in Maryland where he remained until he was 21 years of age, at which time he came to Olyphant. He worked in the mines and in later life was engaged in the insurance business. He died in 1918 at the age of 58 years and is buried in Union Cemetery, Peckville. Mrs. Scriven, who was born in Olyphant, now resides in Blakely. She is the daughter of Edward and Mary Ann Roberts. Mr. and Mrs. Scriven were the parents of four children: Harry, deceased, a sketch of whom appears below; Ethel, a graduate of Scranton Business College, married Willard Carter, an electrician with the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company, lives in Blakely; Augusta, a graduate of Olyphant High School and Stroudsburg Normal School, was a teacher for four years in the Olyphant High School, married Harry Leonard; and Edward, the subject of this sketch.

Harry W. Scriven, who died May 17, 1925, at the age of 38 years, was born in Olyphant, where he was reared and educated. In 1910 he opened the confectionery store which is now conducted by his brother, Edward. Harry W. Scriven's ability and earnest attention to duty soon won for him a large trade and at the time of his death he owned one of the best stores of its kind in the county. He was a singer of promise and

organized the Minor Sextette which he conducted for about six years, and shortly before his decease he and his sextette had the honor of singing before President Harding. He was a veteran of the World War and served for over a year as quartermaster in the navy on board U. S. S. West Cressy. He was an active member of the Elks and Lions Clubs of Scranton; Kingsbury Lodge, Olyphant, F. and A. M.; Keystone Consistory, and Shrine of Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre. Harry W. Scriven was also a member of the American Legion, Scranton Bicycle Club, Lackawanna Motor Club, Olyphant Business Men's Club, and Scranton Advertising Club. He had hosts of friends who sincerely mourned his untimely death.

Edward Scriven was reared in Olyphant and graduated from high school and Keystone Academy in the class of 1923. He then entered the confectionery store of his brother and upon the latter's death succeeded to the business, which he has since very ably conducted. He is a member of the Masonic Order, being affiliated with DeMolay Crusade Chapter of Scranton.

Wells James Lowry, M. D.—Few men in their adherence to the highest principles of their profession have done more to advance the medical interests of Lackawanna County than Doctor Lowry, who has practiced his profession for 45 years, 35 years of which he has been one of the foremost physicians and surgeons of Carbondale. He was born in Susquehanna County, Pa., Sept. 16, 1855, the son of James W. and Alma (Taylor) Lowry.

A complete sketch of the history of the Lowry family is found in the biography of Milton W. Lowry in this history.

Wells James Lowry was graduated from Keystone Academy and matriculated at Bucknell University in 1876, took a two year's course in medicine in the University of Michigan. He then entered Jefferson College, Philadelphia, where he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1882. He was associated in practice at Carbondale with Dr. B. L. Bailey, who died in 1904. Dr. Lowry was later established at Hartford, Pa., for nine years, and served as superintendent of the Lackawanna State Hospital, Scranton, during 1891 and 1892. He then returned to Carbondale, where he has continued in practice until the present time. He has been surgeon to the D. & H. and Erie Railroad companies for many years, having been with the D. & H. Company for 24 years and with the Erie Company 30 years.

Dr. Lowry was married June 27, 1883, first to Miss Cecelia Fuller, of Union Hill, Pa., who died in May, 1884. He afterward married Miss Flora M. Hammond, on July 28, 1885. She was born Jan. 3, 1862. Their children are: Mabel Esther, born Sept. 22, 1886, married Roy Vaughan Stanton, Aug. 18, 1917, lives at Honesdale, Pa. Their children are: Robert Lowry, born June 8, 1918; Ruth Alice, born July 11, 1920; and George



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Welles, born Feb. 27, 1923. (2) Annie May, born May 1, 1888, married to Harry F. Vaughan, Oct. 24, 1908, lives at Clarks Green, Pa. Their children are: Elizabeth Lowry, born Nov. 28, 1919; Jean Lowry, born Sept. 21, 1921; and Mary Lowry, born April 18, 1923. (3) Mary Louise, born April 16, 1892, married Arland J. Craft, April 3, 1917, and lives in Washington, D. C. (4) Alice Flora, born Jan. 14, 1895, married Miles R. Hubbard, May 30, 1917, and lives at Johnson City, N. Y. Their children are: Miles Norwood, born March 29, 1918; and Kent Lawrence, born Aug. 4, 1922. (5) Welles Norwood, born Jan. 25, 1900, married to Thelma M. Drake, Sept. 1, 1925, graduated at Bucknell University and is at present a member of the corps of instructors in that institution at Lewisburg, Pa. They have a daughter, Joanna Drake, born June 20, 1926.

Dr. Lowry is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He has served as a member of the surgical staff of Emergency Hospital, Carbondale, for 25 years. During the World War he served on the local Board of Medical Examiners for the government for which he received an honorable discharge. He has been a member of the Erie Railway Surgeons Association and has presented a number of papers at various conventions of that organization. He was a member of the New York and New England Medical Association and was active in the work of that organization, taking part in discussions. He has also taken an active part in numerous conventions of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society and the Lackawanna and Susquehanna Medical societies. Dr. Lowry was appointed physician in charge of the State Tuberculosis Dispensary, No. 84, Dec. 3, 1908, by Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, State Health Commissioner for the State of Pennsylvania. Dr. Lowry is now serving his twentieth year in that capacity. The Carbondale Clinic of which he has charge was one of the early clinics established in the Lackawanna Valley. For a number of years he was state local examiner of Mid-Wives from 1914 to 1920 for the Bureau of Medical Education and Licensure.

Dr. Lowry has also served as physician and surgeon for United States employees and commissioned as such by the Federal government. He has served on the staff of Emergency Hospital, now the Federal Hospital, for 25 years and during the greater part of the time has been lecturer to the Carbondale training school for nurses. He has been medical examiner for many old line insurance companies. He was superintendent of the Lackawanna Hospital (now State Hospital), at Scranton in 1892-1893.

W. J. Lynott is popular among the successful business men of Olyphant, where he has the agency for the Ford automobile. He was born at Avoca, Luzerne County, Pa., Feb. 24, 1882.

Mr. Lynott spent his early boyhood at Avoca and about 1895 removed to Jessup, where he remained a number of years. At an early age he worked in the coal mines as a breaker boy, and later learned the elec-

trician's trade. He then established himself in business at Olyphant as proprietor of an electrical shop. Since 1914 he has had the Ford agency in Olyphant, his salesroom and garage being located at 108 River Street.

On Nov. 27, 1911, Mr. Lynott married Miss Harriet Hoban of Olyphant, and they have two children: William, born in 1912; and Mary, born in 1914.

Mr. Lynott is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, Elks Lodge, and Scranton Country Club. The Lynott residence is in Blakely Borough.

Hon. George A. Hricko, a well known member of the State Legislature from Lackawanna County, is a leading business man of Olyphant where he carries on a general insurance business with offices in the Olyphant Bank Building. He was born in Luzerne County, Pa., Oct. 8, 1883. His parents returned to their native land, Czechoslovakia, shortly after his birth, and he therefore spent the early years of his life on foreign soil.

In 1894 the family returned to Pennsylvania and located at Olyphant, where he continued his schooling and at the same time was employed in the coal mines. He furthered his education by attending night school and when he was 21 years of age he became interested in the produce business and was thus engaged until 1910. Since that time he has been active in the business life of Olyphant, where he is engaged in the insurance business. During the past year his office has written insurance amounting to over \$100,000.

On Nov. 14, 1904, Mr. Hricko married Miss Mary Barilko, of Olyphant. They have four children: Mary, a graduate of Olyphant High School and Lackawanna Business College, married Daniel Meizek, lives at Olyphant; Cecelia, a graduate of Olyphant High School, attends Pennsylvania State College; George A., Jr., and Josephine, both at home.

Mr. Hricko is president of the First Catholic Slovak Union of America, being the first American born citizen elected to this important position. The First Catholic Slovak Union was organized 37 years ago, when Father Stephen Furdek first conceived the idea of organizing a union of the Catholic Slovaks in America. Today it is the strongest and most influential Slovak body, whether considered in point of membership, assets, or in direct influence on the Slovak in America. The organization comprises a membership of over 95,000. Its total assets amount to six million dollars. As president of this organization, Mr. Hricko called a special meeting to be held at Washington, D. C., December 6, 1927, of all the fraternal Slovak organizations of the United States, for the purpose of merging said organizations. He proposed the following plan, which was approved by the convention: That the entire United States should be divided into six or more districts, each district to operate independently in holding district conventions, electing their own officers and delegates to a National Convention.

The representatives of the different organizations which made up the convention at Washington, D. C., unanimously agreed to report the foregoing plan at their annual meeting, at which three representatives shall be named to sit as a committee with the other organizations for the purpose of completing the merger plan of the organizations as offered by Mr. Hricko. The temporary officers who were named at the convention will call a national meeting in the near future for the purpose of carrying out this plan.

Mr. Hricko is a Republican and for many years has taken an active part in political affairs. He is now serving his second term as a member of the State Legislature, having been elected to that office in 1924, and holds the distinction of being the first man of Slovak ancestry to be elected a member of the Pennsylvania State Legislature. He is a member of the Holy Ghost Catholic Church of Olyphant and belongs to the Elks Lodge at Scranton.

Meyer S. Trucker. One of the largest charge account jewelry businesses in Scranton, which is conducted under the name of Trucker, was founded by Meyer S. Trucker, who for years has been steadily increasing and expanding its annual volume of business. He was born in Russia, Oct. 10, 1885, and is the son of Samuel and Mamie (Pittle) Trucker.

Samuel Trucker has been recognized as a progressive merchant of Scranton for a number of years. Both he and his wife are natives of Russia, where they spent their early lives. In 1891 they emigrated to this country and located immediately in Scranton, where Mr. Trucker has since conducted a jewelry business at 135 Penn Avenue. He is a Republican and a member of the Linden Street Temple. His wife died in 1921 and is buried in Scranton. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Trucker, as follows: Sara, married M. L. Goodman, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history; Meyer S., the subject of this sketch; Tina, married Morris Goodman, Scrantonian Publishing Company, Scranton; Henry, jeweler, Scranton, married Rose Bassoff; Fannie, married Herman Bassoff, Scrantonian Publishing Company, Scranton; Bella, married Harry Borok, Findley Strauss & Company, New York City; and Sidney, who is a member of the Jean Goldkette Orchestra, which is nationally known.

After completing his schooling in Scranton, Meyer S. Trucker became interested in the jewelry business and in 1907 established the business at 514 Lackawanna Avenue. The business enjoyed a rapid growth and in 1911 was removed to its present location at 431 Spruce Street. It was incorporated in 1925 under the laws of Pennsylvania with the following officers: Meyer S. Trucker, president and treasurer; Rose Trucker, vice-president; and Charles B. Little, secretary.

In January, 1913, Mr. Trucker married Miss Rose Schleider, the daughter of Morris and Sarah Schleider, natives of Austria and early settlers of

Scranton. Mr. Schleider is deceased and his widow married Morris Klein of Wilkes-Barre, and they now reside in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Trucker have been born three children: Irene Sylvia, a talented pianist, now a member of the Y. M. H. A. orchestra, lives at home; Maurice, deceased; and Noma, born in 1923. Although only a tot of four years, Miss Noma Trucker is well known throughout the country as a child singer, and has made many appearances before the microphone at Station W. Q. A. N. Scranton.

Politically, Mr. Trucker is a Republican. He holds membership in the Temple Israel, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Y. M. H. A., Fellowship Club, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, B'rith Abraham and Chamber of Commerce.

Among his numerous friends in the city of Scranton, Mr. Trucker is familiarly known as "Mike," having acquired this name when a news-boy on the streets of Scranton.

John A. Kelley, M. D.—A member of the medical profession distinguished by more than 40 years of service in Carbondale is Dr. J. A. Kelley, a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Pittston, the son of Michael and Ann (Cooney) Kelley.

Michael Kelley, deceased, was a native of County Mayo, Ireland, as was his wife. After his arrival in the United States he engaged in the mercantile business at Pittston, where he spent the remainder of his life. His wife died in 1898. To Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kelley the following children were born: Thomas J., deceased, was a leading merchant of Scranton; Michael A., deceased, West Pittston, Pa.; James, deceased; Patrick, lives at Williamsport, Pa.; Anna, deceased, was the wife of Hubert McHale; and Dr. J. A., the subject of this sketch.

Dr. John A. Kelley acquired his early education in the public schools of Pittston, and in 1880 was graduated from Wyoming Seminary. He spent the following two years as principal in the public schools of Pittston, and in 1885, received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania. He has since been engaged in medical and surgical practice at Carbondale, and served as county coroner of Lackawanna County from 1893 until 1896. He has also served as president of the local Board of Health.

On Oct. 25, 1898, Doctor Kelley was married to Miss Anna Burke, the daughter of Edward P. and Ann (Hart) Burke. Mr. Burke was a native of County Sligo, Ireland, and came to the United States with his parents when he was four years old. He was well known as a leading merchant of Carbondale for more than half a century, and was a prominent citizen of Lackawanna County. He died April 15, 1926, and his wife died in 1907. Mr. Burke was one of the founders of the Miners & Mechanics Bank of Carbondale, and was the builder of Burke Building, Carbondale. During the panic of 1872 the property where St. Rose's Convent is now located was then owned by Captain Brennan who failed in



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business. The D. & H. Company held a mortgage against this property and were about to foreclose. The church wanted that property for this convent but no one was able to raise the required amount which was \$3,500.00, a small fortune at that time. Mr. Burke came forward with the cash and preserved the property for the convent. Mr. and Mrs. Burke had six children: Mary, lives in Carbondale; Anna Kelley; Rev. Edward, of the diocese of Scranton, located pastor at Metamoris, Pa.; Agnes and Rozella, live at Carbondale; and John, furniture dealer, lives at Carbondale. To Doctor and Mrs. Kelley the following children were born: Albert, died in infancy; and Edward, a senior in the Medical School of Georgetown University. He was graduated from St. Thomas College in 1920, and was unanimously elected president of the senior class.

Doctor Kelley was president of the Carbondale Medical Society for several years, and was president of the staff of Emergency Hospital for a number of years.

Hon. Willoughby W. Watson, son of Walter Watson, a prominent farmer of Susquehanna County, and Candace (Hammond) Watson, of old New England stock, was born in Susquehanna County, Pa., Oct. 6, 1842, died at Scranton, Pa., Oct. 26, 1925.

Mr. Watson, a leading practicing attorney, was one of the most venerable figures in legal circles in the State of Pennsylvania, his activities at the time of his death still commanding the attention of the profession. His connection with the progress of Scranton covered a period of more than 40 years. He was in active practice for 56 years, a record rarely equaled and seldom, if ever, surpassed. With large natural talent and excellent training, he early made his influence felt in legal affairs, and not many years passed before he was on the road to success, giving to his every responsibility the careful and devoted attention of the idealist as well as the able professional man. His long and honored career has meant much to the progress of his time, and he was fittingly honored by all who were familiar with his work.

Following his early studies at the public and preparatory schools of Susquehanna County, Mr. Watson entered the State Normal School at Millersburg, Pa. He was later a teacher in the public schools of Susquehanna County, and for three years served as superintendent of the schools of that county. He studied law in the offices of Bentley & Fitch, at Montrose, Pa., and was admitted to the bar in 1868. Later, Mr. Watson was identified with one of his preceptors as the junior partner of the law firm of Fitch & Watson, and still later was a member of the law firm of McCollum & Watson.

Politically, Mr. Watson always supported the Republican party, and had long been considered an influential figure in its ranks. In 1871, he was elected Pennsylvania State Senator. This honor was extended to him by the people in the true spirit of appreciation of his progressive

attitude and early attainments, for he never sought the honors and emoluments of public affairs. He was later nominated for Congress in Susquehanna County, but retired in favor of the nominee from the other part of that Congressional District.

Until 1883, when he came to Scranton, Mr. Watson practiced law in Montrose. In Scranton, he was the head of the law firm of Watson, Diehl, Hall & Kemmerer; Watson, Diehl & Kemmerer; Watson, Diehl, Kemmerer & Watson; and Watson, Diehl & Watson. Up to the time of his death, Mr. Watson's mentality was as brilliant as is usual with a man in his prime, and he had the vigor of a man many years his junior. Through his entire career, Mr. Watson held high rank in his profession, from very early years in his active practice having been considered a leader. During his activity in Montrose, the firm of McCollum & Watson was considered one of the strongest and most influential in the State. Mr. Watson's long experience and profound knowledge of legal practice and precedents placed him in the position of an authority, and he was looked up to by his colleagues in the profession, who felt toward him the most sincere respect and esteem. For 42 years, Mr. Watson was prominently identified with the banking and business interests of Scranton, and was active in all civic movements. He was one of the founders of the Traders' National Bank of Scranton, Pa., of which he was for a long period vice-president and director.

Mr. Watson was a director and treasurer of the Lackawanna Land Company, which developed the "Round Woods" section of West Scranton. One of the thoroughfares there, Watson Avenue, was named for him. He was also director and treasurer of the Whitehall Land & Improvement Company. He was founder of and for many years president of the Pennsylvania Casualty Company. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and formerly a member and director of the Board of Trade. Fraternally, he held membership in Lodge No. 240, Free and Accepted Masons, of Montrose. He was also a member of the New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and its sixth president. Mr. Watson was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of Scranton, and for many years of his early life gave much time to Sunday School work. He was charitable by disposition and many of his good deeds were unknown to the public. Mr. Watson, although he attained an age (83) when most men consider their life work done, was loath to lay aside the active interests of his life, and he continued along the general lines of law practice, and in an independent way, and was in active practice up to the time of his death.

On Nov. 26, 1868, Mr. Watson was married to Annie M. Kemmerer, of Upper Lehigh, Pa., who survived him. Of this union there were six children, two of whom died in early childhood. Those surviving him were: Walter L. Watson, of Swarthmore, Pa.; Albert L. Watson, of Scranton; Mrs. Annie (Watson) Burnham, of St. Paul, Minn.; and Mrs. Candace (Watson) Pierce, of Brookline, Mass., and seven grandchildren.

He was also survived by the following brothers and sisters: E. Wilson Watson, of Binghamton, N. Y.; Mrs. Rose Hannah, Mrs. Cornelia Washburn, and Mrs. Adelia C. Tyler, of New Milford, Pa.; and John W. Watson, of Ithaca, N. Y.

William F. Forster, of Forster & Evans Company, general insurance, is a representative business man and substantial citizen of Scranton. He was born in this city, Nov. 3, 1879, and is the son of Joseph A. and Martha C. (Peuser) Forster.

Joseph A. Forster is a highly esteemed citizen of Scranton, where he was born in 1856. He is the son of August Forster, who spent many years as a blacksmith at the Diamond mines. Joseph A. Forster spent his early life as a blacksmith with his father and later was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He spent some time as a shipping clerk with the Economy Furniture Company and later with the Globe Furniture Company and the Clelland & Simpson Company. Mr. Forster is now with the public schools of Scranton. He is a Republican, and a member of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church. His wife was born at Blakely, Pa., in 1858, the daughter of Adam Peuser, a native of Germany, who is now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Forster three children were born: William F., the subject of this sketch; Caroline A., in office of Mr. Forster; and Lillian, married Harry Stipp, lives at Scranton.

William F. Forster spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his education in the public schools. He was graduated from Central High School in 1898 and began his business career with J. D. Evans in the insurance business, as office clerk. In 1900 Mr. Forster purchased a half interest in the business and the partnership continued until the death of Mr. Evans in October, 1923, at which time Mr. Forster became sole owner. He is local representative for the following companies: American Equitable Insurance Company, Ohio Farmers Insurance Company, Preferred Accident Insurance Company of New York, Millers National Insurance Company, Citizens Insurance Company, Caledonia Insurance Company, National Reserve Insurance Company, New Brunswick Insurance Company, New Jersey Plate Glass Insurance Company, Milwaukee Mechanics Insurance Company, and North River Insurance Company.

In 1917 Mr. Forster was united in marriage with Miss Marion D. Harlan, the daughter of Robert and Josephine (Huber) Harlan, natives of Pennsylvania and both now deceased. Mr. Harlan died in 1920 and his wife died in October, 1926. Mr. and Mrs. Forster have a daughter, Jean, born June 28, 1920.

Mr. Forster is a Republican, a member of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree; Irem Temple, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, League of Masonic Clubs, Knights of Malta, and Chamber of Commerce. He was the first president of Rotary Club of Scranton. He is well known in the social and business life of the city where he has spent his entire life.

Robert Aitken Jadwin, president of the First National Bank of Carbondale, whose history is a matter of record elsewhere, has had a veteran's service in banking and for over 45 years has been connected with the bank of which he is now president.

He was born April 14, 1867, at 58 North Church Street, Carbondale, son of Henry Broome and Louise (Aitken) Jadwin, of Carbondale. His father was a prominent citizen and business man of the early period of Carbondale, a retail druggist and bookseller for 40 years until 1896. He served in the militia in 1864 for home defense; served as mayor of Carbondale, for one term, and at various periods was elected councilman and school director.

Robert A. Jadwin attended the Carbondale High School in the class of 1882. The following year he went in the First National Bank as messenger. Eleven years of service as messenger and bookkeeper brought him to teller in 1894, to assistant cashier in 1897, cashier in 1898, and in 1900 he was made a director and in 1903 vice-president, and president since 1915. Mr. Jadwin from 1891 to 1894, was secretary of the Carbondale Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, and from 1896 to 1899, was treasurer of the old Carbondale Traction Company, and managed the reorganization of the company during those three years.

He married at Carbondale, June 1, 1898, Lillian Mulford Baker, daughter of Charles E. and Mary J. (Fordham) Baker. Her father was a jeweler. Mr. and Mrs. Jadwin have two children: Robert Baker Jadwin, born Dec. 18, 1899, and Mary Fordham Jadwin, born April 21, 1902.

First National Bank of Carbondale.—Much of the essential banking history of the City of Carbondale is involved in the record of the First National Bank. This bank was incorporated within a year after the passage of the National Banking Act. It was organized in 1864 with a capital of \$110,000, owned by 23 stockholders. More than 78 per cent of the stock is still owned by heirs and descendants of original stockholders.

The first bank in Carbondale was the private bank of Gillespie, Pierce & Company, the three partners being Thomas Gillespie and Horatio S. Pierce, of the firm of Gillespie & Pierce, merchants, and James Stott, another pioneer merchant. This private bank was established in 1856. It was converted into the First National in 1864. Of the First National, Horatio S. Pierce was the first president, John S. Law, vice-president, and James Stott, cashier. The original directors were Horatio S. Pierce, James Stott, James Clarkson, John S. Law, Anthony Grady, Dwight N. Lathrope, William W. Bronson, Thomas Gillespie and Louis Pughe, who owned eighty-five per cent of the original stock.

The capital of the First National Bank still remains at the original figure \$110,000, but the surplus fund and undivided profits have grown to over \$640,000. Deposits now are over \$4,000,000.



THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CARBONDALE, PA.

The bank still occupies the building constructed for it in 1866, though twice enlarged, and a new building is now being erected at the corner of Main Street and Salem Avenue.

A cut of the fine new bank and office building appears in this volume. The bank will move to their new quarters in the Spring of 1928. This building rests on nineteen 3 foot caissons of steel and concrete sunk 46 feet down to solid rock.

The first dividend was paid within seven months after the bank opened and altogether two hundred and four consecutive dividends have been declared, amounting to \$719,400.

The present officers are: Robert A. Jadwin, president; Robert D. Stuart, vice president; Roswell S. McMullen, secretary of the Board; Frank G. Winter, cashier; Newell M. Townsend, and Alfred P. Wells, assistant cashiers, and the directors in order of seniority are Robert A. Jadwin, Samuel B. Mills, Robert D. Stuart, Henry W. Kingsbury, John H. Thomas, Joseph G. Bronson, Roswell S. McMullen, Levi A. Patterson, and Kenneth H. Colville. These directors and officers and immediate family connections own 82 per cent of the present stock.

The longest term of a director in the bank's history was that of Edward Clarkson who was elected director in 1877 and at forty-four consecutive annual meetings. Mr. Clarkson also served as vice-president from 1889 to 1901, as president from 1901 to 1914.

The presidents in order have been Horatio S. Pierce, 1864-1889; William W. Bronson, 1889-1897; J. Edwin Watt, 1897-1901; Edward Clarkson, 1901-1914. Edward W. Mills was elected president in 1914, but died during the year, Robert A. Jadwin from 1915 to the present time.

Vice-presidents of the bank, other than those who served as president were John S. Law, 1864-1866; James Clarkson, 1866-1870; James Stott, 1898-1902; Robert D. Stuart, 1915 to the present time.

The longest term served by a cashier was that of James Stott, the original appointee, from 1864 to 1898, succeeded by Robert A. Jadwin, who held the office until 1915, when Frank G. Winter, the present cashier, was appointed. Mr. Winter had been assistant cashier for one year previously.

Other assistant cashiers who have served the bank were William H. Bronson, 1905-1917; Newell M. Townsend, 1923 to the present time; Alfred P. Wells appointed in 1926.

The only employe who has ever occupied every position in the bank is Robert A. Jadwin, President, who began service in 1883.

Hon. Albert L. Watson, former Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County, Pa., was born in Montrose, Susquehanna County, Pa., Dec. 6, 1876, the son of Hon. Willoughby W. Watson and Annie Kemmerer Watson. When he was four years of age, his parents moved to Scranton, Pa., where he has resided ever since.

Albert L. Watson received his early education in the public and pri-

vate schools of Scranton, and prepared for college at Lawrenceville High School, Lawrenceville, N. J., where he took a prominent part in athletics and was editor of the students' publication and of his class annual. He entered Amherst College, Amherst, Mass. (the alma mater of President Calvin Coolidge), graduating in 1901 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. While at Amherst he continued his interest in athletics and literary affairs and was elected to various college positions.

Upon his graduation from college, he studied law with Watson, Diehl & Kemmerer, and was admitted to the bar in 1903, shortly afterwards becoming a member of the law firm of Watson, Diehl, Kemmerer & Watson, with which firm (later known as Watson, Diehl & Watson) he practiced for 23 years. He was appointed Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County March 15, 1926, by Governor Gifford Pinchot, to succeed the venerated Henry M. Edwards, who died in 1925. Judge Watson served on the bench until Jan. 1, 1928, when, having been defeated at the primary election, he resumed the practice of law with offices in the Scranton Life Building.

Judge Watson enjoys the distinction of having been honored with appointments by the last three governors of Pennsylvania. Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh named him to the Commission on Investigations of Recording Deeds and Mortgages and Insurance of Titles, and was re-appointed by Governor William C. Sproul in 1919. Governor Pinchot named him counsel for the State Workmen's Compensation Bureau in 1923, which position he held until his appointment as judge. Governor Pinchot also appointed him trustee of the Scranton State Hospital in 1923, on which Board he acted as president until his resignation Nov. 10, 1926, due to pressure of judicial duties.

Judge Watson is affiliated with the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Scranton, and with various civic and charitable organizations. He is a Mason, Keystone Consistory, thirty-second degree. He also holds membership in Peter Williams Lodge, F. and A. M., Knights of Malta, Patriotic Order Sons of America, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is also a member of the Psi Upsilon Club of New York, the New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the Scranton Club, the Waverly Country Club, and the Scranton Country Club. Judge Watson is a director of the Lackawanna County Bar Association, a member of the American Bar Association, and a member of New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

He has been interested in politics for a number of years, is a staunch Republican, and an enthusiastic believer in the type of leadership demonstrated by the late Theodore Roosevelt. He was chairman of the County Committee of 1912 during the Presidential campaign when Roosevelt carried the county by a large majority. In 1922, in the State gubernatorial campaign, he was chairman of the Executive Committee of the Republican County Committee.

Judge Watson was married in 1902 to Miss Mabel Eager Wheeler, a

daughter of Damon and Annie (Eager) Wheeler, natives of Vermont. Judge and Mrs. Watson were the parents of four children: Albert Leisenring, Jr., a student at Yale; Willoughby Wheeler, a student at Deerfield Academy; Righter, a student at The Woods School; and Juliet, who died in infancy. Mrs. Watson died in November, 1923.

T. Archer Morgan. Vice president and director of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company, T. Archer Morgan, has grown with the financial institution with which he is affiliated, and is a man who enjoys the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. He was born in Scranton Aug. 19, 1882, the son of Thomas Saer and Emma (Pitt) Morgan.

John Morgan, great-grandfather of T. Archer Morgan, was a Welsh farmer. He was born in Wales in 1777 and died in 1857. His son, David Thomas Morgan, born in Wales, Jan. 19, 1812, was educated as a civil and mining engineer, and spent most of his life in the counties of Pembroke and Monmouth, Wales, prior to coming to the United States. He came here in September, 1869, and settled in Providence, now Scranton. To David Thomas and Mary (Saer) Morgan were born four children who came with them to America, Martha, William Saer, David Saer and Thomas Saer. The three sons were all mining engineers.

Thomas Saer Morgan was born in Pembroke, Wales, October 13, 1849. He was educated in the schools of Wales and began the study of mine surveying and engineering under the direction of his father. He came to the United States in 1869 and at once secured employment in the mining engineering department of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company. His connection with this company, later the Delaware & Hudson Company, and now the Hudson Coal Company, continued until his death in August, 1924. Mr. Morgan was married April 29, 1880 to Emma Pitt, the daughter of Alfred and Eleanor (Jevons) Pitt, pioneer settlers in Providence. The Pitt family is of English extraction. To this union two children were born; Eleanor J. married William A. Edgar and Thomas Archer, the subject of this sketch.

T. Archer Morgan was educated in the grade schools of Scranton and the School of the Lackawanna. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Lehigh University in 1904 and was graduated from the Harvard Law School three years later. He read law in the office of Thomas F. Wells, Esq., and was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in February, 1908. In 1909 Mr. Morgan served as title officer with the Title Guaranty & Surety Company, and in July, 1913, became trust officer of The Scranton Trust Company. He was later elected vice president and director. In 1927 when the Lackawanna Trust Company was merged with The Scranton Trust Company, he retained his rank as vice president and director.

On Oct. 15, 1910, Mr. Morgan was married to Ruth Johnson, the eldest child of Dr. Frederick Charles and Georgia (Post) Johnson, of

Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. She is a great-great-granddaughter of the Rev. Jacob Johnson, missionary and pioneer minister of Wilkes-Barre. The children of Mr. and Mrs. T. Archer Morgan are Thomas Saer and Frederick Johnson Morgan, twins, born May 17, 1915.

Mr. Morgan is a Republican and belongs to several of the Masonic bodies, Irem Temple Country Club, and Kiwanis Club. He is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, the Lehigh University Alumni Association, Harvard Alumni Association, Engineers' Club and Pennsylvania State Bar Association.

Mr. Morgan enlisted as a private in Company F, 13th Regiment Pennsylvania National Guard, and in the second year of his enlistment was commissioned a second lieutenant. He served five years, resigning as a first lieutenant.

He is a member of St. Luke's Church, where he has served as Vestryman for several years. He is also a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Bethlehem.

John Franklin Wheeler, president of the Pioneer Dime Bank of Carbondale, is one of the prominent figures in the business life of Lackawanna County, and a man who is highly esteemed in the community in which he lives. He was born at Mount Pleasant, in Wayne County, Pa., July 23, 1858, and is the son of Chauncey C. and Ann M. (Spencer) Wheeler. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler were natives of Wayne County.

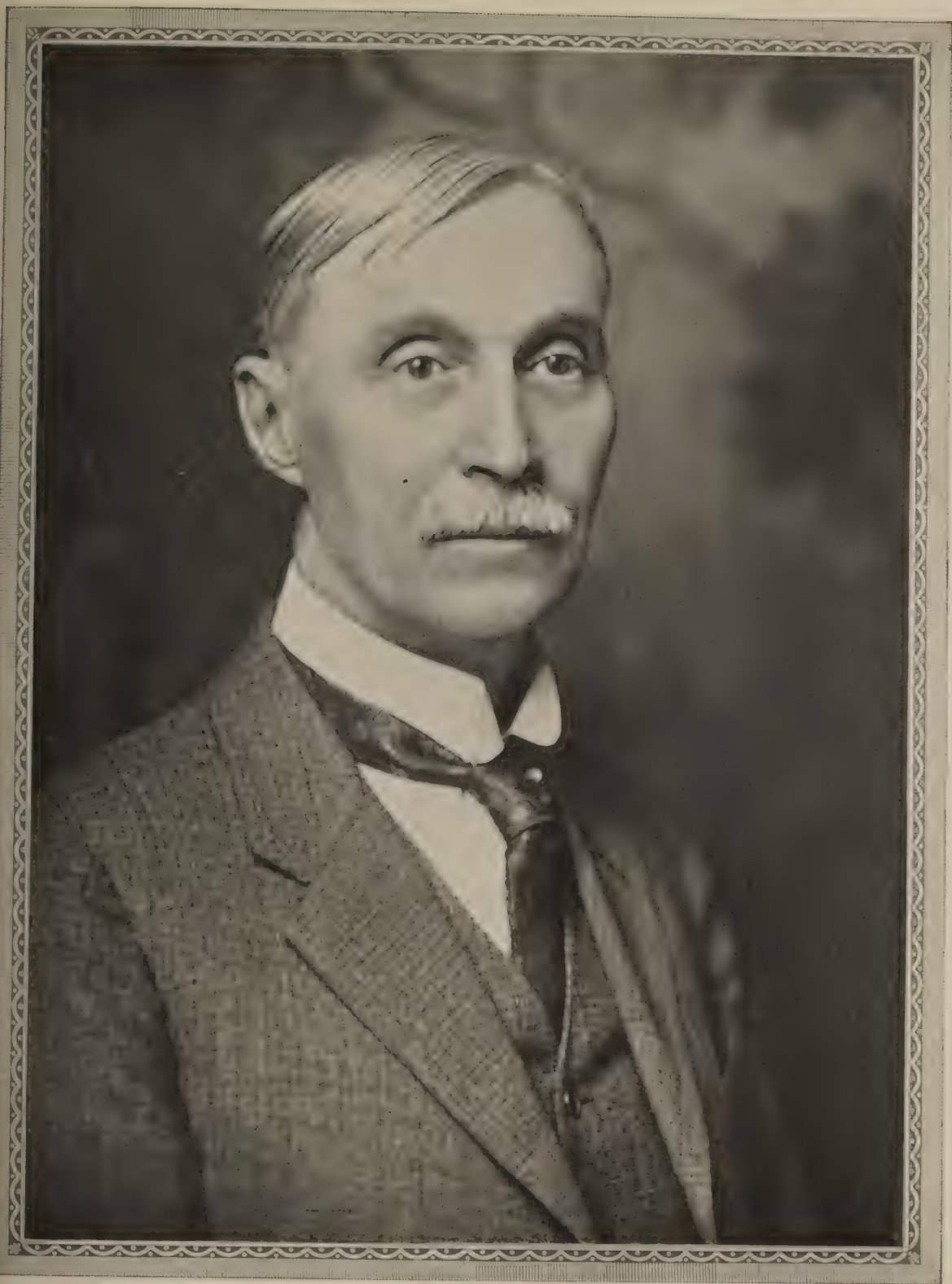
John Franklin Wheeler was reared and educated in Wayne County and in 1871 came to Carbondale. Two years later he entered the service of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company as a clerk and worked his way up in the employ of this company until he was put in charge of the accounts of this division. In 1903, when the Pioneer Dime Bank of Carbondale was organized, Mr. Wheeler was made cashier and served in that capacity until 1913, at which time he was elected president. Since that time he has filled that responsible position with dignified capability.

Mr. Wheeler was married on Nov. 18, 1885, to Miss Bertha M. Wells. They have three children: Catherine, Paul, and Malcolm.

Mr. Wheeler is a Republican in politics and is a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church of Carbondale, being a member of the vestry and junior warden.

In connection with this brief review of the life of Mr. Wheeler it is proper that a history be given of the financial institution with which he has been connected during its entire existence, and to whose prosperity he has contributed so materially.

The Pioneer Dime Bank had its beginning at a meeting held Dec. 16, 1902, in the office of Hon. J. F. Reynolds, by some of the representative business men of Carbondale. A committee of three men was appointed: W. T. Morgan, P. A. Carroll, and J. B. Shannon. Subscriptions were solicited to the amount of \$100,000 for the establishment of the new bank.



John F. Wheeler

On Jan. 5, 1903, the work of obtaining the necessary capital having progressed satisfactorily, the stockholders selected the following trustees: W. T. Morgan, James Rutherford, A. P. Trautwein, E. E. Jarr, W. E. Kirby, A. E. Tiffany, M. Frieder, J. J. Reigeluth, E. M. Peck, J. S. Niles, J. E. Blocksidge, J. B. Shannon, and J. F. Wheeler. These trustees continued the work of obtaining the necessary capital and providing for temporary quarters. The bank's charter was obtained from the State of Pennsylvania on April 8, 1903, and the bank opened for business in temporary quarters on April 15, 1903, with the following officers: E. M. Peck, president; W. T. Morgan, vice president; and J. F. Wheeler, cashier. Messrs. Peck and Wheeler continued to serve in their respective positions until Nov. 13, 1913, at which date Mr. Peck died, and Mr. Wheeler was chosen president of the institution.

From the beginning the bank obtained a fair amount of business and its deposits and resources continued to grow until it has become one of the leading banking institutions of its kind in Lackawanna County. The personnel of the directors has changed from time to time, due to deaths and removals. The directors at the present time are: J. E. Blocksidge, D. L. Crane, E. A. DeLaney, E. C. Ely, W. J. Hamilton, N. H. Hiller, B. A. Kelly, D. T. Larkin, J. F. Reynolds, Dr. W. A. Spencer, J. B. Shannon, J. F. Wheeler, and H. S. Woodward. The present officers are: J. F. Wheeler, president; B. A. Kelly, vice president; N. H. Hiller, vice president; W. G. Blocksidge, cashier; and Mary B. Kelly, assistant cashier.

During the World War the Pioneer Dime Bank did its full share of placing Liberty bonds, B. A. Kelly being chairman of the Second Liberty Loan drive. N. H. Hiller was chairman of both the Fourth and Victory Loan drives. Several other members of the board were Four Minute speakers.

The present resources of the Pioneer Dime Bank are \$2,015,856.75.

Samuel Friedman. In practical cooperation with the various branches of the theatrical business, Mr. Friedman has advanced through the grades to the management of the Strand Theatre at Scranton, and he is accounted one of the most thorough-going men in the business in this part of the State. He gives his entire attention to the making of the Strand a house of entertainment of the first class, and he holds a high place in the esteem of all with whom he is associated. He is a son of Max and Lena Friedman.

Samuel Friedman was born in 1893, in Jersey City, N. J., and he received his education in the public and high schools of Jersey City, and of Scranton. He was always of an active and businesslike make-up, and for two years he was variously employed. His theatrical work had its beginning when as an usher he became associated with the M. E. Comerford Amusement Company at Scranton. Within four years, he proved his ability in leadership, working his way along from usher to the manager of the theatre. In 1919, Mr. Friedman was given the management of the

Strand Theatre, one of the leading picture houses in Northeastern Pennsylvania, and he has so continued to the present.

In his climb up the Comerford ladder, beginning at the rung where ushers perch, Mr. Friedman has had many opportunities for studying the problems of his life work. The result is he is offering attractions that have stood the test of his critical eye and personally is recommending those pictures to the patrons whose support he has received for so long a time.

Mr. Friedman's years of employment have been years of hard work and faithful attention to duty at all times. Starting in as an usher in a Lackawanna Avenue theatre, when the motion picture industry was really in its infancy, he has grown up with the film business. After some time as an usher he advanced to the work of traveling representative, manager of various small playhouses and on July 11, 1919, he was appointed as manager-director of the Strand.

Mr. Friedman has a legion of acquaintances, all of whom wish him many more years of continued success in his chosen work.

The Strand early in its career set out to establish itself as an institution which this city could ill afford to be without. Catering to the demands of its patrons, the theatre has brought to the city the greatest screen productions possible to obtain and the effort has been well met, for in return success has marked every endeavor and encouragement has greeted each aim.

He is a Republican in politics, voting the ticket of that party. His fraternal affiliations are those of Lodge No. 23, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious fellowship is with the Temple Church.

Mr. Friedman married, Dec. 24, 1922, Raye Jaffe, a daughter of Moses Jaffe, of Easton, Pa., and they are the parents of Donald F., who was born in 1923.

William H. Thomas, alderman of the Eighth Ward, is one of the highly esteemed and widely known citizens of Scranton. He was born in this city, July 9, 1867, the son of Thomas R. and Hannah (Richardson) Thomas.

Thomas R. Thomas was born in Wales and came to the United States when he was seventeen years old. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War as a member of Company C, Tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. At the expiration of his first enlistment he re-enlisted in Company D, 136th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served under Capt. William N. Monies. Mr. Thomas was a miner in early life. In 1876 he was made a member of the local police force under Mayor Powderly and served in this capacity for 27 years. He died in October, 1903. Mr. Thomas was a Republican, a member of the Welsh Baptist Church, and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was married Dec. 24, 1864 to

Miss Hannah Richardson, a native of Wales, and the daughter of Robert and Sarah Richardson, pioneer settlers of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson are deceased and are buried in Scranton. Hannah (Richardson) Thomas died in 1907. To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas six children were born: Robert, lives in Scranton; William H., the subject of this sketch; Sarah, deceased, was the wife of Bert Arndt, of Taylor, Pa., and they had five children, Ruth, Anna, Dorothy, Elizabeth and Theodore; Henry, lives in New York City; John F., and Thomas R., both live in Scranton.

William H. Thomas worked as a breaker boy in the coal mines of Scranton and later learned the blacksmith's trade. In 1897 he purchased the Delaware House, which he successfully managed for four years. He served as constable of the Eighth Ward of Scranton for 18 years, and in 1915 was elected alderman, defeating Major W. S. Millar. In 1921 he was reelected to this office, and 1927 was reelected for a term of six years more. Mr. Thomas is a member of the Minor Judiciary of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Mr. Thomas was married in 1893 to Miss Margaret Roberts, the daughter of David X. and Elizabeth Roberts, the former a native of Wales and the latter of Scranton. Both Mr. and Mrs. Roberts are deceased and are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery. Mr. Roberts was a Civil War veteran having served in the same company with Thomas R. Thomas. To William H. and Margaret (Roberts) Thomas were born two children: Milton W., born in 1895, a World War veteran, having served in France with the 152nd Company, Aviation Corps; and Margaret S., a graduate of Central High School, married Herbert J. Dooley, lives in Scranton.

Mr. Thomas is a member of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, and Eagles Lodge. He has always been a Republican.

A. Skonieczka, general merchant, is well and favorably known in Dickson City, where he has engaged in business for 20 years. He was born in Poland, Nov. 23, 1879.

Mr. Skonieczka was educated in the schools of his native land and when 17 years of age emigrated to the United States and settled at Olyphant. He spent seven years in the coal mines of Lackawanna County and since 1907 has conducted a general mercantile business at Dickson City. In 1926 he erected a fine new store building which is located at 1097 Carmalt Street. Mr. Skonieczka handles a complete line of general merchandise and has an extensive trade.

In 1903 Mr. Skonieczka was married to Miss Anna Ronel, who came to this country from Poland with her parents when five years old. They have a daughter, Catherine.

Mr. Skonieczka is a member of St. Albert's Catholic Church. He has served as a member of the city council.

F. W. Mills, who is identified with the Mills Lumber Company, is among the oldest and most substantial business men of Carbondale. He was born in this city, Jan. 9, 1841, and is the son of Samuel B. and Agnes (Watt) Mills.

Samuel B. Mills, deceased, was an early settler and well known resident of Carbondale for many years. He was born in Connecticut and at an early age came to Pennsylvania and located at Carbondale, where he worked as a blacksmith in the shops of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company. Later, he became interested in the mercantile business under the firm name of Poor & Mills. He was also engaged in the lumber business in this vicinity and was the founder of the Mills Lumber Company in 1876. Mr. Mills died at the age of 69 years. He was a lifelong member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife, a native of Lackawanna County, is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Mills had five children: Elizabeth, deceased, was the wife of Oscar C. Moore; F. W., the subject of this sketch; Edward, deceased; Samuel, lives at Carbondale; and George, deceased.

F. W. Mills grew up in Carbondale and attended the public schools. For a number of years he was employed as a machinist by the Dickson Manufacturing Company and later became associated with his father in the lumber business. During the Civil War he served with the Union ranks as a member of Company B, 84th New York Volunteer Infantry. Shortly after the war he went to California and was in the employ of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company between San Francisco and Panama, and also between San Francisco and China and Japan, making several trips. In all he was in the employ of that company about 10 years.

Mr. Mills was married in 1867 to Miss Anna Delia Smith, a native of Long Island, N. Y. To them were born three children: Edward, deceased, Jessie, lives at home; and Agnes, lives at home.

Mr. Mills is a Republican in politics. His first presidential vote was cast for Lincoln. He has served as a member of the city council and also as school director for two terms. He holds membership in the Presbyterian church. He is active in local business circles, being one of the founders of the First National Bank and the Miners and Mechanics Bank of Carbondale. He is a member of the G. A. R. Carbondale Post No. 198, and is Junior Past Commander of that Post.

Michael Burke, who is associated with the firm of Burke & Schwarz, wholesale produce dealers, is well known in Scranton. He was born in this city, Oct. 9, 1884, the son of Michael and Mary (Devaney) Burke.

Michael Burke, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Minooka, and his wife was a native of Ireland. Mr. Burke was an early settler of Scranton and for years was employed by the Scranton Brewing Company. He died in 1907 and is buried at Minooka. His widow lives in Scranton. Mr. Burke was a Democrat and a member of the



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Catholic Church. There were five children in the Burke family as follows: Patrick, lives in Scranton; Michael, the subject of this sketch; Catherine, the widow of M. McCandlew, lives at Detroit, Mich.; Frank, lives at Detroit; and James, deceased.

Michael Burke has always lived in Scranton. He was educated in the parochial schools and in the early years of his business career was interested in the confectionary and cigar business. Since 1912 he has conducted a wholesale produce business at 12 Lackawanna Avenue.

Mr. Burke is a member of the Catholic Church. He is unmarried.

Thomas P. Morris is widely known throughout Lackawanna County as the capable chief of police of Dickson City. He was born there Jan. 1, 1886, the son of Edward and Catherine (O'Malley) Morris.

Edward Morris, deceased, was a native of Scranton. He spent his entire life in this section of Pennsylvania and was employed in the coal mines. He died in 1892 and is buried in Hyde Park Cemetery, Scranton. His widow lives at Dickson City. To Mr. and Mrs. Morris were born five children: John, Mary, Thomas P., Joseph, and Edward, all residents of Dickson City.

As a boy Thomas P. Morris worked in the coal mines of Lackawanna County. About 1915 he was made constable of Dickson City and served in that capacity for six years. Since 1921 he has been chief of police.

On June 19, 1924, Mr. Morris was married to Miss Edith Howells of Scranton.

Mr. Morris is a Democrat, a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church, and belongs to the Eagles Lodge.

William A. Meehan, cashier of the Scranton Post Office, is a representative citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dickson City, Sept. 28, 1884, and is the son of Patrick F. and Ann (Killeen) Meehan.

Patrick F. Meehan, who lives retired at Dickson City, is a member of one of the county's oldest families, his parents being among the first settlers of Dickson City. To Mr. and Mrs. Meehan the following children were born: Frank, a chief of police of Dickson City, lives at Dickson City; William A., the subject of this sketch; Mary, lives at home; Ray, lives in New York City; Edward, lives in Scranton; Anna C., principal of Woodrow Wilson School, Dickson City; and Harold, engaged in the insurance business, Dickson City.

In the public schools of Dickson City, including the high school, William A. Meehan acquired his early education. He also attended Mansfield State Normal School. Mr. Meehan served as postmaster of Dickson City from July, 1910, until Aug. 1, 1917, and at that time was appointed superintendent of Dickson Branch of the Scranton post office. When

delivery service was established, April 1919 he was appointed cashier at Scranton post office.

On Dec. 1, 1916, Mr. Meehan was married to Miss Claire Lavin of Olyphant. She is a graduate of Throop High School and Stroudsburg State Normal School and was a teacher in the public schools of Throop before her marriage. To Mr. and Mrs. Meehan have been born four children: William, John, Mary Claire and Ann.

Mr. Meehan is a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society. The family reside at Dickson City.

Mr. Meehan is a director of the Liberty National Bank, Dickson City, and is a member of the Board of Trade. He has an extensive acquaintance throughout the county.

Anthony F. Zalewski is prominent among the young men of Dickson City, where he was born July 11, 1898. He is a son of Frank and Mary (Pawlowski) Zalewski.

Frank Zalewski was born in Poland, Sept. 14, 1871, the son of Andrew and Barbara (Libudziewski) Zalewski. This family came to the United States in 1880 and settled at Hanover, Pa., removing to Dickson City six years later. Andrew Zalewski became a prosperous merchant, butcher, cattle and hog buyer, and successfully engaged in business until his retirement in 1920. He still resides in Dickson City and is now 88 years of age. He and his wife celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary in October, 1926. Mr. and Mrs. Zalewski had six children, three of whom survive: Joseph, lives at home; Mary, married Frank Kaplaski, president of the Dollar State Bank, Scranton; and John, lives at Dickson City.

Frank Zalewski died Nov. 17, 1903. He was a prominent merchant of Dickson City and the owner of valuable real estate. He was also a stockholder in the Dickson City Light & Power Company. His wife was born in Poland in 1869 and lives in Dickson City. To Frank and Mary (Pawlowski) Zalewski seven children were born, as follows: Julia, married Stanley Matlyewicz, lives at Dalton, Pa.; Lucy, married John Kesiazk, lives at Olyphant; Anthony F., the subject of this sketch; Sophia, married Frank Sovinski, lives at Dickson City; Helen, married Thomas Towers, lives at Dickson City; John, and Walter, both deceased.

Anthony F. Zalewski obtained his education in the parochial schools of Dickson City. He was employed by the Scranton Coal Company as a miner for two years, and later was connected with the Bliss Silk Company as a twister. He then engaged in business for himself and until July, 1920, owned and operated one of the city's leading grocery and meat stores. He then entered the employ of Mellett Company, Inc., Scranton, as manager of the company's stores at Dunmore, Olyphant and Jessup. In 1921 Mr. Zalewski was appointed as policeman on the Dickson City force and resigned from that position in February, 1926. In Novem-

ber, 1923, he was elected to the Dickson City school board, of which he is now serving as secretary. He has also been vice president and president of this body. Since 1927 Mr. Zalewski has had various business interests in Dickson City. He is a stockholder in the Lawrence & Matthews Company, Dickson City, and the Great Lakes Fire Insurance Company, Chicago, Ill.

On June 28, 1921, Mr. Zalewski married Miss Bella Sobonieswki, of Dickson City, the daughter of John and Mary (Murawska) Sobonieswki, natives of Poland. They have the following children: Madeline, born May 25, 1922; Leonard, born Aug. 23, 1923; Bernadette, born Jan. 31, 1925; and Dennis, born May 2, 1927. In 1922 Mr. and Mrs. Zalewski adopted a child, Josephine Zapolska, who was born May 17, 1911.

Mr. Zalewski is a Republican and belongs to the Eagles Lodge. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and is prominent in church affairs, being secretary of the parish Welfare Club.

Anthony F. Roshak is among the enterprising young business men of Dickson City and a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, Jan. 17, 1893, and is a son of Jacob and Antoinnette (Michalowski) Roshak.

Jacob Roshak came to the United States in 1890 from Poland. He settled at Dickson City where he was employed in the Glen Alden mines until the time of his death in 1902. He was married Nov. 16, 1892, to Antoinnette Michalowski, who was born in Prussia, in November, 1871. She was three years of age when she came to this country with her parents, John and Agnes (Sosnowski) Michalowski. To Jacob and Antoinnette (Michalowski) Roshak four children were born: Anthony F., the subject of this sketch; Valentine, deceased; Frank, lives at Dickson City; and Edward, lives at Dickson City. Mrs. Roshak was later married to Stanley Strzesneski, and they have six children: Walter, deceased; Barney, Sally, Floyd, Sophia, and Adam, all at home.

Anthony F. Roshak has always lived in Dickson City. He attended the public schools and in his early youth was employed in the coal mines of this section. In 1910 he entered the employ of James F. Arthur, plumber, and was associated with him for five years. In 1917 he was inducted into service during the World War and sent to Camp Meade, Md., July 9, 1917. He served in France with the 79th Division, and participated in many important engagements of the war, including the Meuse-Argonne, Hill 374 to 378, known to the soldiers as "Corn Bill Hill." He was discharged as a corporal June 9, 1919. He has since engaged in the hardware and plumbing business at 1013 Main Street. Mr. Roshak was one of the founders of the Liberty National Bank, of which he is a director.

On Sept. 14, 1921, Mr. Roshak married Alice (Chludzinski) Duchnoski, who was born in Poland, Oct. 28, 1896, the daughter of Paul

and Julia Chludzinski. She came to this country with her parents in 1899. The father resides in Scranton and her mother is deceased. By a former marriage to Joseph Duchnoski, deceased, one son was born, Joseph. To Anthony F. and Alice Chludzinski Roshak have been born three children: Matilda, deceased; Arthur, and Anthony, Jr.

Mr. Roshak is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and is a Republican.

J. I. Ling.—One of the best known citizens of the community is J. I. Ling, who is secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Carbondale, as well as secretary of the Kiwanis Club. He was born at Saranac Lake, N. Y., Aug. 13, 1890, and is the son of Theodore and Eva (Clark) Ling.

Theodore Ling was born at Saranac Lake, N. Y., in 1855. Before his retirement he was well known in that section as a farmer and stockman. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and has held several township offices. His wife was born in 1860 and died in January, 1923. She is buried at Bloomdale, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Ling were the parents of nine children, one of whom is deceased, Theodore.

J. I. Ling attended the public and high schools of his native city. He is a graduate of Drake's Business College, Syracuse, N. Y., and the Eastern Association School, the latter being a training school for Y. M. C. A. officials. Since 1913 he has been connected with this organization in an official capacity and has held the following secretaryships: 1913-1915, Syracuse, N. Y.; 1915-1918, Youngstown, Ohio; 1918-1921, Newell, Pa.; and since 1921 has been located in Carbondale. Mr. Ling has served as secretary of the Kiwanis Club of Carbondale since its organization in 1923.

On June 30, 1916, Mr. Ling was united in marriage with Miss Emma Gill, of Saranac Lake. She is a graduate of the Plattsburg (N. Y.) State Normal School. Mr. and Mrs. Ling have three sons, Stuart J., born March 17, 1918; Roland H., born Jan. 16, 1920; and Robert T., born June 6, 1924.

Mr. Ling is a Republican and holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Is a member of the Board of Stewards and a licensed local preacher.

Paul J. Motts is numbered among the leading citizens of Dickson City, where he is serving his second term as burgess. He was born in Luzerne County, Pa., Nov. 3, 1881, the son of Leon J. and Rose (Kwiatkowski) Motts.

Both Leon J. Motts and his wife were natives of Poland and early settlers of Pennsylvania. They located in Luzerne County where Mr. Motts was a miner and later a hotel keeper. He and his wife are deceased.

They had six children, of whom the oldest was Paul J., the subject of this sketch.

Paul J. Motts began life as a breaker boy in the coal mines of Luzerne County. After a number of years he attended the Eckles Embalming College, Philadelphia, and since 1919 has successfully conducted an undertaking establishment at Dickson City. Mr. Motts was elected councilman in 1905 and later served as borough treasurer. In 1922 he was elected burgess and later reelected to this office.

On April 2, 1913, Mr. Motts was united in marriage with Josephine Reyonkowski, a native of Germany. To them were born five children: Paul, John, and Leon, at home; and two children died in infancy. By a former marriage Mrs. Motts had nine children, two of whom are living, Dorothy and Josephine.

Mr. Motts is a Republican and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He is a director of the Liberty National Bank.

Walter Hetkowski, well known hotel proprietor of Dickson City, was born in Poland, Sept. 28, 1883, and is a son of Joseph and Catherine Hetkowski.

Joseph Hetkowski spent his entire life in Poland and is now deceased. He was a blacksmith by trade and also engaged in general farming in later life. To Mr. and Mrs. Hetkowski three children were born, of whom Walter, the subject of this sketch, is the oldest.

Walter Hetkowski was reared and educated in his native land and in early life followed farming. He came to the United States in 1901 and settled at Dickson City, where he was employed in the mines of the Scranton Coal Company. Later he worked in the Penocoast mine at Throop, Pa., and followed mining until 1910. He has since owned and operated a hotel in Dickson City, which is well patronized. Mr. Hetkowski is a director of the Liberty National Bank.

On Jan. 14, 1914, Mr. Hetkowski was united in marriage with Miss Frances Krushank, of Scranton, the daughter of John and Mary Krushank, who now reside in Dickson City. Mr. and Mrs. Hetkowski have six children: Adamina, Chester, Edward, Mary, Cecelia and Tressia.

Mr. Hetkowski is a Republican in politics and holds membership in St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Bolace Buza, a successful business man and widely known resident of Dickson City, is a native of Poland. He was born Dec. 22, 1889, the son of Vincent and Veronica (Barschewski) Buza.

About 1893 Vincent Buza brought his family to this country from Poland and located at Dickson City, where he has since been interested in coal mining with the Glen Alden Coal Company. Mr. and Mrs. Buza were the parents of 16 children, six of whom survive.

Bolace Buza attended the public schools of Dickson City and worked in the coal mines of this section when he was 13 years old. He was employed in the mines until 1917 when he became interested in the hotel business in this city. He is serving his third term as a member of the city council and is active in local civic affairs. It was through his influence that \$70,000 was expended for sewer construction in 1925, and \$30,000 for this purpose in 1927.

Mr. Buza was married Nov. 8, 1914, to Miss Bela Loyeski, of Glen Line, Pa., the daughter of Anthony and Anna Loyeski, natives of Poland. They have five children: Vincent, Annetta, Theodore, Cecelia, and Bela.

Mr. Buza is a Republican, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and belongs to the Eagles Lodge.

William M. Curry has been practising before the bar of Lackawanna County for 33 years, and as a general counselor and practitioner is held in high esteem. He was born at Danville, Pa., Nov. 25, 1870, the son of Thomas C. and Phoebe E. (Musselman) Curry.

Thomas C. Curry was born at Danville, Pa., April 25, 1830. He was an iron manufacturer all his life, having learned the machinist trade when a boy. His shop at Danville was known as the Enterprise Foundry & Machine Shop. Mr. Curry was married Feb. 26, 1856, to Miss Phoebe E. Musselman, who was born at Danville, July 21, 1833. Mr. Curry died Sept. 3, 1910, and his wife died Jan. 24, 1906. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and Mr. Curry was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To Mr. and Mrs. Curry the following children were born: Elizabeth, married M. L. Fisher, lives at Danville, Pa.; H. C., lives at Danville; Daniel M., Edwin A., Thomas C., Jr., Morris R., and Robert, all deceased; William M., the subject of this sketch; John R., and Ralph, both deceased.

William M. Curry was educated in the public schools of Danville and attended the academy there. He was graduated from Dickinson College in 1893 and from the Dickinson School of Law in 1894. Since that time he has been devoting himself to general practice and since 1898 has been in his present location in the Connell Building.

Mr. Curry was married Oct. 10, 1901, to Miss Louise Albro, of Scranton, the daughter of John Philo and Ida M. (Engle) Albro, natives of Batavia, N. Y., and Scranton, respectively. Mr. Albro was a leading attorney of Scranton for a number of years and in 1893 removed to San Francisco, Calif., where he continued in practice until the time of his death, March 27, 1907. His widow resides in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Curry is a Republican, a member of the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Peter Williamson Lodge No. 323 F. & A. M. The Keystone Consistory A. A. S. R. and Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. His wife is a member of the Century Club of Scranton.

Albert S. Rosenberg, assistant city solicitor, is among the prominent young attorneys of Scranton, and a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, Dec. 20, 1891, the son of Louis and Deborah (Aronson) Rosenberg.

Louis Rosenberg was born in Lithuania, Russia, as was his wife. In 1880 they emigrated to the United States and settled in Scranton, where Mr. Rosenberg was widely known as a department store owner, his business being located at 115-117 Penn Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg have two sons: Albert S., the subject of this sketch; and Dr. Milton M., who is an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, with offices in the Connell Building, Scranton.

Albert S. Rosenberg attended Scranton public school No. 25, and in 1911 was graduated from Central High School. He then entered the University of Pennsylvania from which he received the degree of L. L. B. in 1916. He spent the following year in general practice in Scranton, and in 1917 was inducted into service during the World War. He was assigned to Battery E, 19th Field Artillery, Fifth Division, Regulars, and sailed for overseas in 1918. He took part in the Saint Mihiel Offensive, and Pont Amousson Sector. He was discharged from service in April, 1919, and at that time joined the Jewish Welfare Board as a social worker in Paris, and Le Mans. Mr. Rosenberg was prominent in American Legion activities and served as assistant district deputy for the American Legion in Lackawanna County. He is also a member of La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux.

Mr. Rosenberg was appointed first assistant city solicitor of Scranton in August, 1926, after having served as second assistant from May, 1925. He also carries on a general law practice with offices in the Mears Building.

Mr. Rosenberg is a Republican, a member of the Temple of Israel Congregation, and is affiliated with the Masonic and Elk Lodges and Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity.

S. M. Hawke, public accountant, is a representative citizen of Scranton. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., Nov. 21, 1877, the son of John J. and Anne (Williams) Hawke.

John J. Hawke, retired, is native of England. His wife, also born in that country, is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Hawke were the parents of seven children.

Educated in the public schools of Dickson City, S. M. Hawke began his business career there in the employ of W. C. Griffin, general merchant. He was later employed at Barwick, Pa., and in 1902 entered the employ of the Hillside Coal Company, Pittston, as supply clerk. He became a special officer for the Title & Guarantee Surety Company, Scranton in 1910, and six years later became associated with Grant L. Bell, Public

Accountant. Mr. Hawke has various business interests in the city and is secretary and treasurer of the Keystone Fuel Company.

Mr. Hawke was married Oct. 21, 1903, to Miss Jessie L. Stearns, of Peckville, Pa., the daughter of David E. and Fannie (Purdy) Stearns, natives of Lackawanna County and New York respectively. Mr. Stearns, deceased, was a prominent coal operator of the Upper Valley. Jessie L. (Stearns) Hawke. died Nov. 21, 1925, leaving a daughter, Elsie Stearns Hawke.

Mr. Hawke is a Republican, a member of the Elm Park Methodist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Green Ridge Club. He is a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants.

William Rosemergy, postmaster, is prominent among the pioneer citizens of Mayfield and Lackawanna County. He was born in the southern part of England, Aug. 5, 1864.

Mr. Rosemergy has been a resident of Mayfield for 43 years, having come here from England in 1885. During his active career he was employed in the coal mines. He was appointed postmaster in March, 1926.

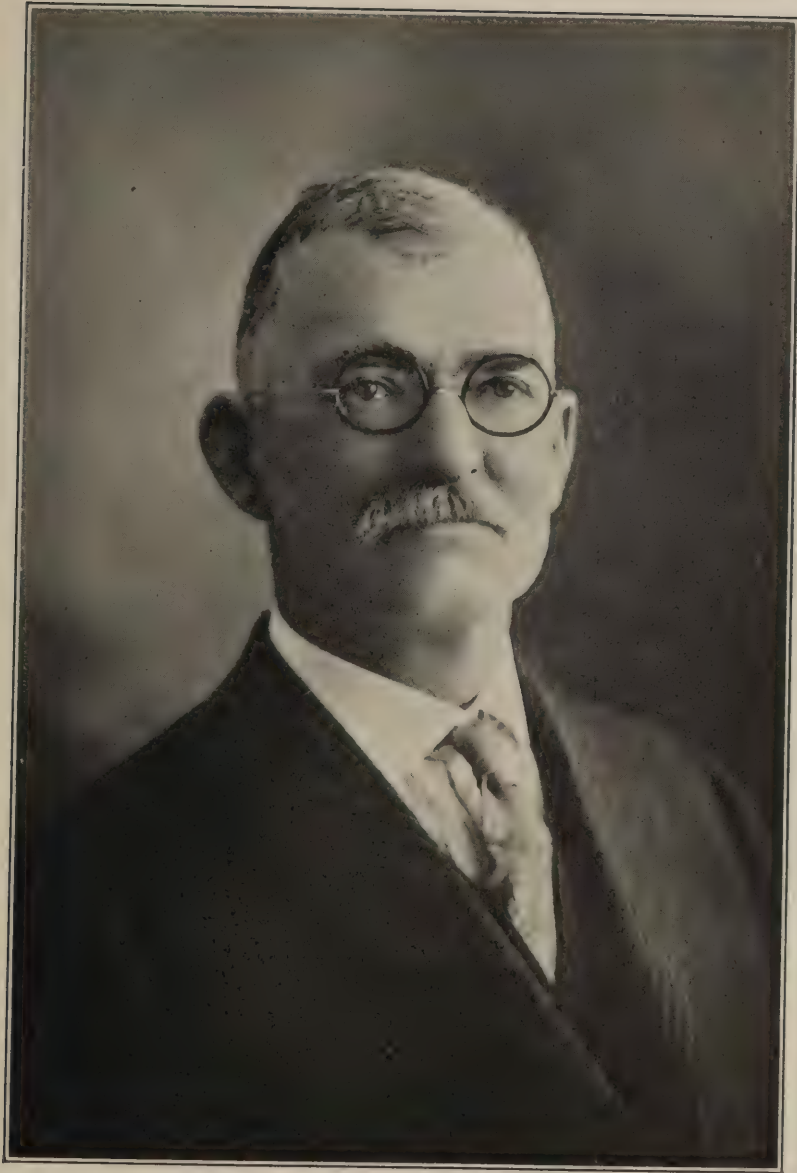
Mr. Rosemergy was married in England to Miss Sarah Proctor, and they have the following children: John, lives at Archbald, Pa.; William, Jr., lives at Mayfield; Thomas, lives at Jermyn, Pa.; James, lives at Jermyn, Pa.; Robert and Walter, who live at Mayfield; and Mrs. Stephen Hackaday, lives at Mayfield.

Mr. Rosemergy is a Republican and has served as a member of the council and as street commissioner. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Knights of Pythias, Jermyn.

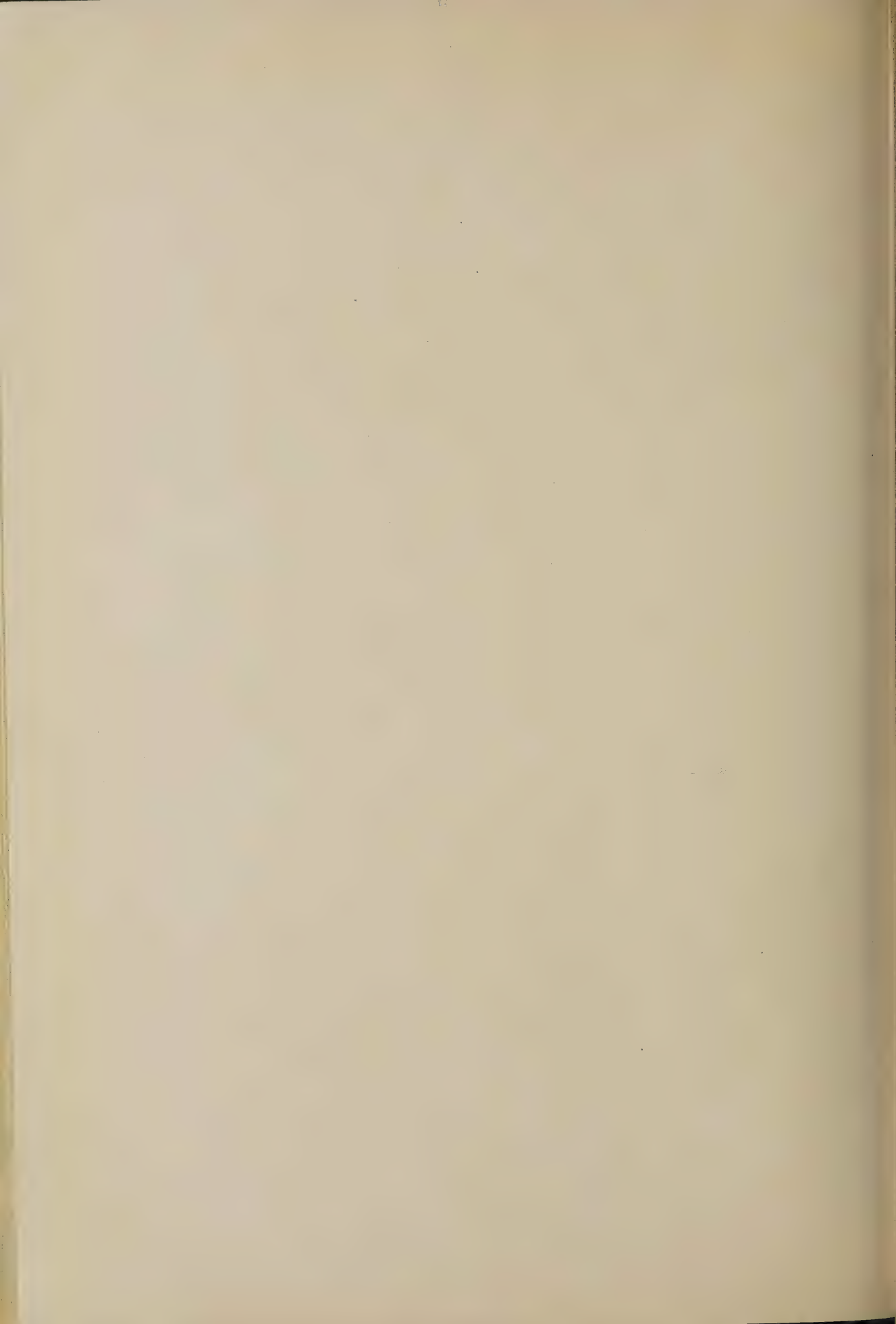
W. T. Chisholm, vice president of the International Salt Company, stands among the leading business men and prominent citizens of Scranton. He was born in Chicago, Ill., July 25, 1882, the son of Edward A. and Emma B. (Berry) Chisholm.

Edward A. Chisholm, deceased, was a native of Scotland, and his wife was born in England. He came to this country in 1865 and engaged in the general mercantile business in Chicago. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm took place in Chicago several years after their meeting in London. They are both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm were the parents of six sons and one daughter.

W. T. Chisholm was educated in the public schools of Chicago and in 1896 entered the employ of the Erie Railroad Company as an office boy. Six years later he was transferred to New York City by the company and in 1908 resigned as assistant to the vice president. In July of that year he came to Scranton as traffic manager for the International Salt Company. In May, 1919, he was promoted to general sales manager, and two years later was made vice president of the company in charge of sales.



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He is also a director. In January, 1928 Mr. Chisholm was elected president of the International Salt Company of New York, a subsidiary of the International Salt Company. The company maintains offices in the Scranton Life Building.

On June 1, 1909, Mr. Chisholm was married to Miss Ethel Lyons, of Newark, N. J., the daughter of William W. and Cynthia (Dodge) Lyons. Mr. Lyons is a retired tool manufacturer of Newark, N. J., and is prominent in the business affairs of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm have two daughters: Dorothy Guthrie, born April 26, 1910, a graduate of the Country Day School, Scranton, now attends Miss Beard's School, Orange, N. J.; and Cynthia Dodge, born Jan. 13, 1916, attends the Country Day School.

Mr. Chisholm is a Republican and a member of the First Presbyterian Church. He is a life member of the Scranton Club and belongs to the Shawnee Country Club, Essex Country Club at Orange, N. J., and Spring Lake Country Club, Spring Lake, N. J. Besides his city residence at 749 Webster Avenue, he has a summer home at Avon-by-the-Sea, N. J.

George Wilson Ellis. In the increasing fulfillment of a career of much promise in the practice of law, Mr. Ellis, now nearing the close of the second decade in his profession, is one of the younger generation of attorneys in Pennsylvania. He has been associated in business with some of the most reputable members of the judiciary in the state, and has an experience in legal matters that covers a very active portion of the recent history of Pennsylvania. A veteran of the World War, he was close to the fighting front in that service with the Aviation Section. He is a son of James Ellis, who was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and came to the United States in his early years and died in 1900, and of Anna (Buckingham) Ellis, of Connecticut, who died in 1889. Mr. Ellis, Sr., was superintendent of the Spencer Coal Company, of Dunmore, having located there in 1863.

George W. Ellis was born Sept. 27, 1880, at Abilene, Kan., and his elementary education was received at the public schools of Dunmore. He then became a pupil at Wyoming Seminary, graduating with the class of 1901, and afterwards took an uncompleted course at Princeton University, through the year 1905. In preparation for his vocation, he graduated with the class of 1906 at the University of Pennsylvania, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Mr. Ellis was admitted to practice at the bar in 1906 and for a year thereafter he was associated with the law offices of Willard, Warren & Knapp, and then until 1921, with Charles L. Robertson, Esq. Since 1921 Mr. Ellis has conducted a general law practice under his own name, with offices in the Scranton Life Building. He has an active interest in the principles and procedure of the Republican party. He held the office of United States Commissioner for two years, and since the World War he has been solicitor for the county controller. The

World War found him ready for service; he first joined the Officers Training Camp, where he was made first lieutenant of artillery. Joining the Air Service, March 6, 1918, he was then assigned to duty with the 88th Aero Squadron, and was an official observer of the movements of the war with that contingent during the offensive of the Meuse-Argonne, and at other sections. He received his discharge on Jan. 8, 1919.

Mr. Ellis' fraternal affiliations are those of King Solomon Lodge, No. 584, the Royal Arch Chapter, and the Knights Templar, F. and A. M.; of Dunmore Lodge, No. 816, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of Lodge No. 1022, Junior Order United American Mechanics. He was the first county chairman of the American Legion.

Mr. Ellis married, in 1919, Gertrude Mengelberg, of Milwaukee, Wis., a graduate of Wellesley College with the class of 1915, and of the University of Wisconsin, 1916. She is the daughter of Rudolph and Elsie (Meisinger) Mengelberg. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are the parents of George Mark Ellis, who was born Jan. 18, 1921.

George F. Reynolds, deceased, was a highly esteemed citizen of Scranton and a member of one of the oldest families in Lackawanna County. He was born in Fell Township, Jan. 7, 1848, the son of George and Mary Ann (Phinney) Reynolds.

The Reynolds family settled in Connecticut in 1750, having come to this country from England. George Reynolds, grandfather of George F., was among the first settlers of Lackawanna County, having built the first saw mill in Fell Township in 1824, which was later destroyed by fire. He also erected the first frame house in the township and improved a tract of 300 acres.

George F. Reynolds attended the district schools of Fell Township, and later took a business course at Duff's College, Pittsburgh. He then became identified with the well known home college course, which was inaugurated by the Chautauqua Association, and for ten years was a member of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, after having completed the course of study. He began his business career as a clerk in the grocery store of Harding & Company, and the following year removed to Oxford, N. J., where he served as a time keeper in an iron works for three years. Upon his return to Scranton he entered the employ of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company as a bookkeeper, and was identified with that company for a period of 28 years. In 1900 Mr. Reynolds organized the Reynolds Realty Company, buying large tracts of land throughout Lackawanna County. He was the founder of West Park, a tract of land comprising 120 acres near Hyde Park, and also opened many other allotments in the city of Scranton. He was secretary and treasurer of the Keystone Land Company and a director of the Peoples National Bank. Mr. Reynolds died in 1922 and is buried in Scranton.

Mr. Reynolds was married to Miss Ida A. Ware, Frederickstown,

N. J. She died in 1888. He was married the second time in 1895 to Mrs. Catherine (Wynkoop) Wylie, the daughter of William Wynkoop, of Newtown, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds have been born two sons: William W., and Arthur E., who are identified with the Reynolds Realty Company, with offices in the Brooks Building, Scranton. Mrs. Reynolds also has a daughter by her former marriage, Margaret Wylie.

Mr. Reynolds was a life long member of the Methodist Church, and prominent in all church affairs, having been secretary of the board of trustees of Elm Park Church for over 50 years.

R. J. Hubbard, cashier of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, Scranton, is among the representative business men of Lackawanna County. He was born at Norwich, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1872, the son of John F. and Josephine (Moore) Hubbard.

R. J. Hubbard lived in New York during his early life and since 1907 has been a resident of Scranton. He has been identified with the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank since that date and has served in his present capacity as cashier since January, 1923.

Herbert J. Coyle, D. D. S., of Scranton, is among the successful and prominent young dentists of Lackawanna County. He was born in Philadelphia, Oct. 8, 1901, the son of John J. and Mary A. (Donnelly) Coyle.

Both John J. Coyle and his wife were born in Philadelphia, where they lived until 1912. Mr. Coyle has been in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad for more than a quarter of a century and is now serving as Division Freight and Passenger Agent in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Coyle have six children: Joseph, oil and gas dealer, lives at Carbondale; Vincent, lives in New York City; Herbert J., the subject of this sketch; Sister Mary St. Thomas, Mt. St. Mary's Academy, Scranton; Rose, a teller in the Traders National Bank, Scranton; and Mary, lives at home.

Herbert J. Coyle spent his early boyhood in Philadelphia. He attended the public schools and in 1920 was graduated from Scranton Technical High School. He then entered the University of Pennsylvania and in 1924 received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. Since that date he has engaged in practice in this city, and in April, 1927, established his offices in the People's Dime & Savings Bank Building. He is a member of the American Dental Association and a director of the Scranton Dental Society.

Dr. Coyle was married Sept. 25, 1926, to Miss Agnes Ferrio, of Olyphant, Pa. She is a graduate of Dickson City High School and Lackawanna Business College, Scranton.

Dr. Coyle is a member of the Catholic Church. He lives at Clarks Summit.

Sylvester M. Saunders, alderman of the Fifth Ward, is among the representative men of Carbondale. He was born at Wyoming, Luzerne County, Pa., Sept. 28, 1875. His parents were Dr. Walter J. and Cecelia (Hess) Saunders.

Dr. Walter J. Saunders was born at Plains, Luzerne County, Pa., July 30, 1855, and died in July, 1917. He was prominent throughout Luzerne County as a physician and surgeon for 36 years, being a graduate of the Baltimore (Md.) Medical College. His wife was born Dec. 6, 1856, and died Jan. 13, 1926. Doctor and Mrs. Saunders were the parents of four children: Sylvester M., the subject of this sketch; Allen, born May 21, 1877, died Sept. 12, 1878; Isaac Pierre, born Aug. 5, 1879, died in November, 1925; and Robert Lee, born Dec. 28, 1881, lives at Irvington, N. J., where he is superintendent of the city schools.

Sylvester M. Saunders attended the public schools of Wyoming. Following this he learned the barber's trade, which he successfully followed for 35 years. He retired from business April 1, 1926, disposing of his interests in Carbondale to Kenneth Lewis. Since that time Mr. Saunders has devoted his entire time to the duties of Alderman, being first appointed to this office in March 19, 1919.

On Nov. 11, 1895, Mr. Saunders was united in marriage with Miss Mabel Smith of Wyoming, the daughter of Simon and Josephine (Thompson) Smith, both deceased. Mr. Smith was born April 9, 1848, and died in 1917. He was a veteran of the Civil War. His wife was born in 1858, and died in 1890. They were the parents of five children: Anthony, deceased; Mabel Saunders; Maud, born March 16, 1881, the widow of Patrick Doran, lives at Wyoming; Harry, born Oct. 28, 1884, lives at Carbondale; and Earnest, deceased.

To Mr. and Mrs. Saunders three children were born: Rev. Walter J., who is pastor of the First Congregational Church, Springfield, Ohio, married Miss Helen Condit, and they have a daughter, Janet; Frances, married Floyd Burdick, lives at Carbondale; and Clifford.

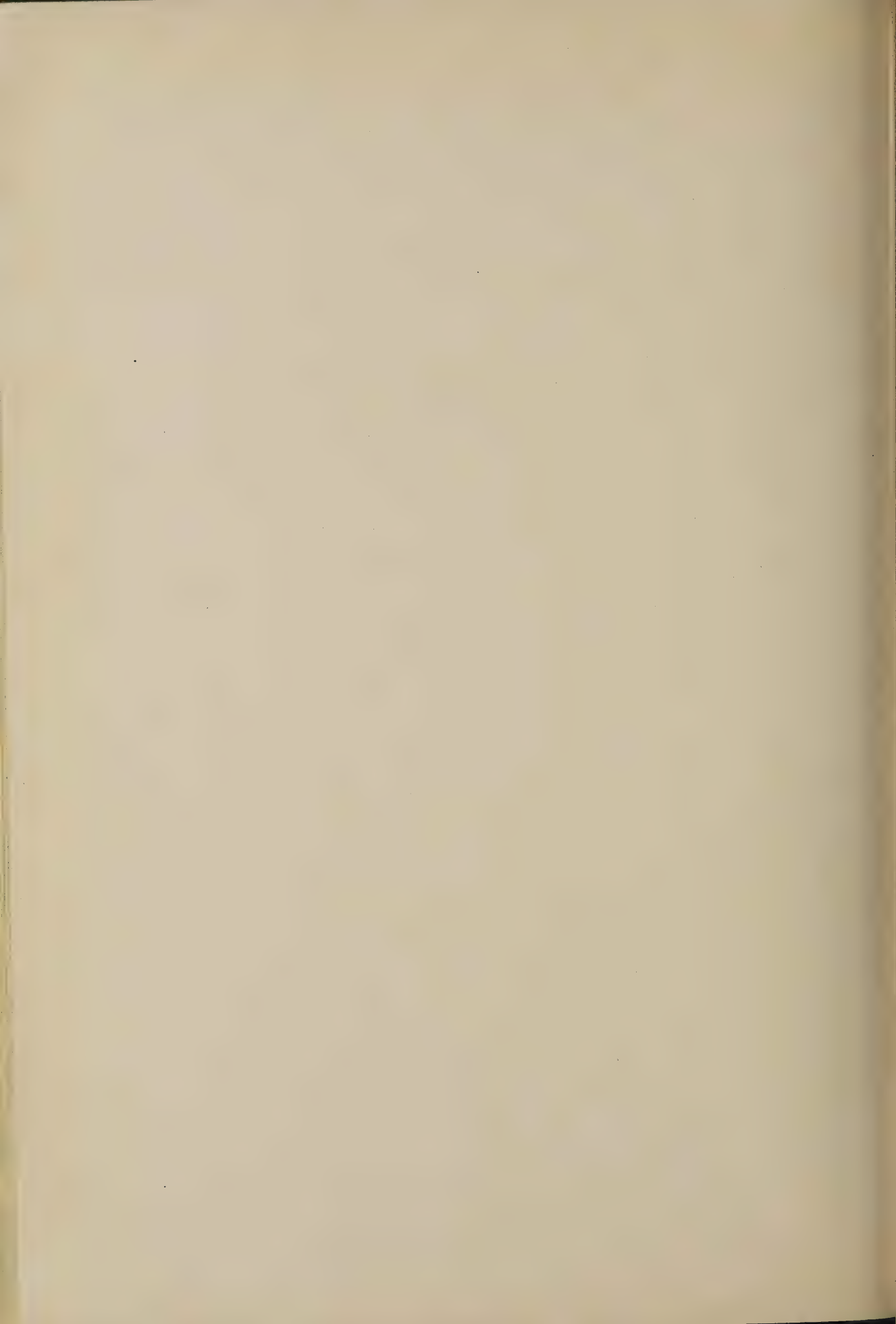
Mr. Saunders is a Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Keystone Consistory, Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and the Junior Order Mechanics. Mrs. Saunders is a member of the Eastern Star.

Leon Ehrhardt. Prominently identified with the financial interests of Scranton is Leon Ehrhardt, who is assistant cashier of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank. He was born in this city, Feb. 12, 1888, the son of Rudolph and Louisa (Augenstein) Ehrhardt.

Rudolph Ehrhardt was born in Germany in 1839 and died in 1906. He was a harness maker by trade and at an early age emigrated to the United States and settled at Salem, Pa. He later lived at Moscow, Pa., where he conducted a harness shop for a number of years. Throughout his life Mr. Ehrhardt was devoted to his home and family. He was a



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Democrat in politics and prominent in the affairs of that party. His widow, who was born at Newfoundland, Pa., resides in Scranton with her son, Leon. To Mr. and Mrs. Ehrhardt three sons were born: Otto, deceased; Herman, sergeant of police, Scranton; and Leon, the subject of this sketch.

Leon Ehrhardt spent his boyhood at Moscow and was educated in the public schools, being graduated from Moscow High School in 1901. He then attended the Lackawanna Business College, Scranton, and began his business career as a bookkeeper for the Scranton Machine Works. In December, 1906, he resigned and accepted a position as bookkeeper with the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, of which he has served as assistant cashier since 1923.

On Dec. 2, 1909, Mr. Ehrhardt was united in marriage with Miss Maud Stanton, of Carbondale. They have three sons: Leon, Jr., born in 1918; Robert, born in 1920; and John, born in 1922.

Mr. Ehrhardt is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge.

James P. Lavelle, one of the dependable and well known business men of Scranton, is a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, Dec. 7, 1887, the son of James P. and Bridget (Clark) Lavelle.

James P. Lavelle was born in Liverpool, England. He came to the United States in 1852 and settled in Scranton, where he was employed for many years as a miner and steel worker. He died in 1908. Mr. Lavelle was married in 1877 to Miss Bridget Clark, who was born in Scranton in 1857. She died in 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Lavelle were members of the Catholic Church. They were the parents of eight sons, one of whom is deceased.

James P. Lavelle attended the public and parochial schools of Scranton, and after his graduation from Central High School in 1903, he became associated with the Board of Underwriters, where he specialized in inspection work. In 1912 he was made manager of the northeastern Pennsylvania district and served in that capacity until 1917, when he resigned and enlisted in the army. Mr. Lavelle was among the first 50 men to leave Scranton in the service and enlisted in the aviation section. He trained at Fort Slocum, and was sent to France in January, 1918. He had charge of the War Risk Insurance Bureau and served with the rank of lieutenant. He was discharged in March, 1919, and upon his return to Scranton became field representative and adjuster for several large fire insurance companies in Pennsylvania and several adjoining states. He has been associated in the insurance business with John Fitzsimmons since 1920. They have offices at 311 Spruce Street, and are specialists in fire insurance.

On May 20, 1919, Mr. Lavelle was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Horan, of Dunmore, the daughter of M. J. and Ellen Horan.

Mr. Horan is deceased and his widow resides in Dunmore. Mr. and Mrs. Lavelle have a daughter, Ann, born Feb. 26, 1926.

Mr. Lavelle is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Elks Lodge, American Legion and Lake Ariel Club.

Henry E. Collins. One of the progressive business men of Scranton is found in Henry E. Collins, who is connected with the Collins Supply & Equipment Company. He was born at Cortez, Lackawanna County, Oct. 9, 1887, the son of George W. and Leora (Kizer) Collins.

George W. Collins, a prominent farmer and stockman of Jefferson Township, is a native of Lackawanna County. Both he and his wife were born at Cortez. She died Sept. 5, 1924, and is buried in Cortez Cemetery. Mr. Collins is a Republican, and has held several township offices, including that of supervisor, tax collector, and constable. He is a member of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To Mr. and Mrs. Collins were born five children: Henry E., the subject of this sketch; Frank, deceased; Helen B., married Harley Bishop, lives at Ariel, Pa.; Bernice, lives at Washington, D. C.; and Ruth, married Arthur R. Morse, who is an auditor in the treasury department, Income Tax Division, U. S. Government, Washington, D. C.

The early education of Henry E. Collins was obtained in the township school. He attended Scranton Business College and began his business career as a bookkeeper for the Lansing Hardware Company of Scranton, in whose employ he remained for 13 years. Henry E. Collins, in 1919, engaged in the business of jobbing silk mill supplies in his individual name. In 1921, in partnership with his cousin, Albert B. Collins, he organized the Collins Supply & Equipment Company, which is located at 415-21 Linden Street, Scranton. They are manufacturers of silk throwing and silk weaving mill supplies, and have a modern plant, the products of which are sold throughout the United States, Canada, and China.

On Oct. 18, 1910, Mr. Collins married Miss Kathryn Richards, who was born at Dunmore, Aug. 28, 1886, the daughter of Stephen and Mary (Williams) Richards, natives of England. The Richards family came to the United States in 1877 and settled at Dunmore. Mr. Richards is deceased and his widow resides at Dunmore. They had four children: Mary, the widow of John W. Ellis, lives at Irvington, N. J.; Martin, deceased; Stephen, lives at Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Mrs. Collins. Mr. and Mrs. Collins have two children: Elizabeth, born July 21, 1913; and George, born Sept. 1, 1917.

Mr. Collins is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Dunmore, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Kiwanis Club.

Albert B. Collins was born at Cortez, Pa., July 4, 1884. He was educated in the public schools, Dunmore, Pa. Manlius, N. Y., and attended

Scranton Business College. For many years he was associated with the Finch Manufacturing Company, of Scranton, as purchasing agent and in other capacities. Since 1921 he has been identified with the Collins Supply & Equipment Company.

On Nov. 16, 1909, Mr. Collins married Miss Beulah M. Steinmetz, born in Scranton, May 12, 1887. They have three children: Edgar A., born Aug. 19, 1910; Clyde A., born Dec. 27, 1912; and Ethel L., born Sept. 29, 1916.

Mr. Collins is a member of the Myrtle Street Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He has always been a Republican, and is well known in Scranton.

Ward Robbins, who is serving as manager of the Olyphant Water & Gas Company, is one of the best known citizens of Olyphant and Scranton. He is also president of the Robbins & Neely Motor Company, of Scranton. Mr. Robbins was born in Columbia County, Pa., Dec. 4, 1885, the son of William A. and Mary C. (Stiner) Robbins.

The Robbins family is of English descent, and among the oldest families of Columbia County. William A. Robbins was a wagon maker by trade and lived for many years at Orangeville, Pa. He died in 1887, and his wife is also deceased.

Ward Robbins attended the public schools and is a graduate of Lackawanna Business College, Scranton, having gone to that city in 1908. He has been connected with the Olyphant Water & Gas Company since 1910, having served as bookkeeper for a number of years. In 1921 he formed a partnership with Thomas A. Neely, and they rank among the dependable automobile men of Scranton. Their salesroom is located at 435 Wyoming Avenue.

Mr. Robbins is a Republican, a member of the Masonic Lodge in its various branches, and belongs to the Wyooska Hunting Club of Pike County, Pa. He resides at the Y. M. C. A., Scranton.

Harry Oakey is a successful merchant and progressive citizen of Dickson City, where he has engaged in the wall paper and paint business for the past 30 years. He was born in England, and when a boy of ten years came to this country with his parents and settled in Lackawanna County, where he was employed in the coal mines. He soon learned the painter's trade and engaged in business for himself here about 1897. Mr. Oakey is recognized as an expert interior decorator and has enjoyed a long and successful business career. During his residence in Dickson City he has been extensively interested in real estate, having bought and sold a good many residences here.

On June 21, 1902, Mr. Oakey married Miss Elizabeth Bentham, of Dickson City. They have four children: Anna, a graduate of Mans-

field State Normal School, married John Sanderson, lives in Dickson City; Harriet, married Willis Bone, lives at Dickson City; John, married Althea Snyder, lives at Dickson City; and Reba, was graduated from the 8th grade Dickson City School in 1927.

Mr. Oakey is a Republican and has served as a member of the school board for seven years. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 945, Dickson City, and the Elks No. 123, Scranton. Mr. Oakey has been a member of the Eagle Hose Company of Dickson City for the past 22 years.

W. S. Bloes.—A substantial citizen and dependable business man of Peckville is found in W. S. Bloes, who has engaged in the drug business here for 30 years. He was born at South Canaan, Wayne County, Pa., Dec. 10, 1861.

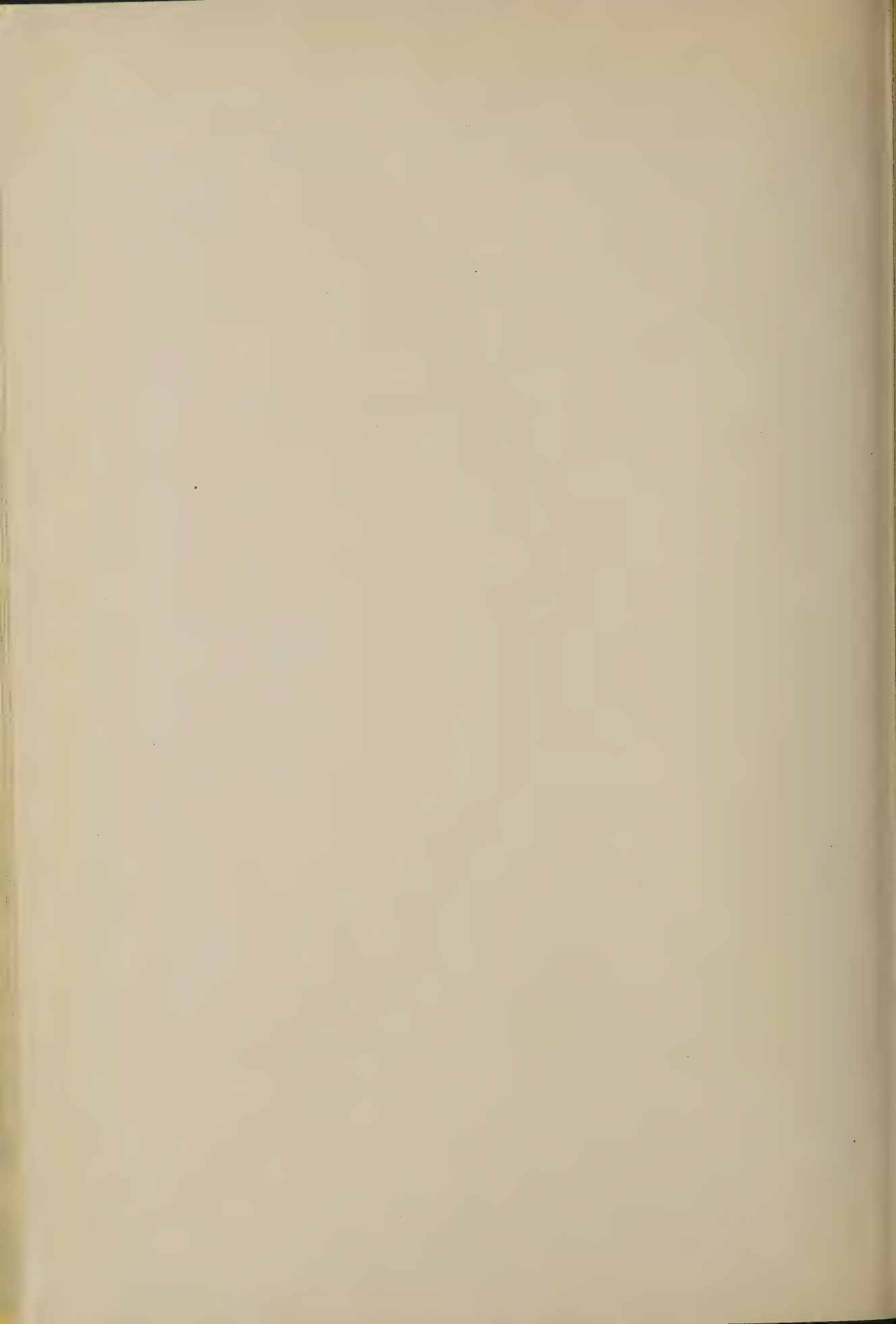
Mr. Bloes attended the district schools of Wayne County and in 1880 went to Scranton, where he entered the employ of C. W. Freeman, jeweler. The following year he removed to Peckville, where he was associated with the drug business of C. W. Brundage and later located at Factoryville, Pa., in the drug business. In 1897 Mr. Bloes purchased the business, which he has since successfully conducted. His son, Walter, is associated with him.

The following article is from the Olyphant Record of Dec. 4, 1902: "One of our most enterprising and up-to-date citizens is W. S. Bloes, the druggist. In his rebuilding of such a fine structure, he shows his confidence in the present and future progress of Peckville. He has now one of the best equipped drug stores in this part of the state. People from Scranton and other places are loud in their compliments of the appearance and business like attractiveness of the store. The building itself, combining the beautiful home and the complete arrangements for the drug and chemical trade, is a most creditable addition to our town. It is an improvement greatly appreciated by the neighborhood. We are proud of it, and point to it with feelings of congratulation for the man who had such a spirit of enterprise as to launch out, as he has done, to his own, as well as to the credit of the entire community. The counters are complete plate glass with marble salvage next to floor while the prescription case represents a large mirror. The shelves and cabinets are highly polished and the store throughout presents a very unique appearance and style. It is rare indeed, even in more populous towns, to find a store so well fitted up and furnished as this. We do not wonder that the proprietor himself feels an honest joy as he looks over the arrangement. Such a store gives character to any place, and Peckville will receive many encomiums for this place of merchandise."

In 1882 Mr. Bloes was married to Miss Lana C. Shaffer, of South Canaan, Pa. They had three children: Eda, died at the age of eight years; Leo, born Dec. 23, 1889, druggist, conducts drug business of his own in Jessup, identified with Masonic bodies. Jessup, married Miss Algretta Dakin, and they have two children, Wilton and Muriel; and Wal-



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ter F., born March 26, 1896, lives at Peckville, married Miss Florence Kell, of Dickson City, Pa., and they have a daughter, Eda Jane, born May 14, 1923. Walter F. Bloes is identified with following organizations: Masonic Lodge, No. 588, Lackawanna Chapter No. 185, Coeur de Lion Commandery, No. 17, Scranton Council, No. 55, Independent Order of I. O. O. F., and is president of Lions Club, member of the American Legion, Post No. 236, and director and treasurer of Mid-Valley Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bloes are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Peckville, and he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a Republican and has served as a member of the city council borough for many years.

Mr. Bloes is a director of the Peckville National Bank.

Joseph Ernest Loveland, president of the First National Bank of Moscow, ranks high among the successful business men and leading citizens of Lackawanna County. He was born at Moscow, Nov. 16, 1857, a son of Joseph and Elsie (Potter) Loveland.

Joseph Loveland, deceased, was born on the Hartford River, in Glosensbury Township, near Hartford, Conn., the son of Joseph Loveland, who was one of the earliest settlers of Moscow, Pa. The younger Joseph Loveland came to Pennsylvania in early youth and was employed on the large farm of Colonel Drinker near Moscow. He later engaged in railroad building and was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He then engaged in the general mercantile business at Moscow and for many years conducted one of the largest stores in this section of the country. He was also well known as a lumber dealer and continued in business until 1875. He was living retired in Moscow at the time of his death, which occurred in 1889. His wife, a native of Susquehanna County, Pa., died in 1875. Both are buried in the Daleville (Pa.) Cemetery. Mr. Loveland was a firm believer in prohibition, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Loveland, as follows: Effie, married J. C. Miller, both deceased, had two children, Ethel, a missionary in Korea, and Etta, was a missionary in Japan for many years, and is now the wife of a minister of the Wyoming Conference, lives at Oxford, Pa.; John P.; Melinthia Elizabeth, married Malon Wingerthe, both deceased, he was manager of the Danville (Pa.) Iron Works; Ida, lives at Oxford, Pa.; Joseph Ernest, the subject of this sketch; Etta, married George Bingham, retired, lives at Scranton; Minnie, the widow of Albert Hathwill, lives at Scranton; and George, deceased.

After completing his schooling at Moscow, Joseph Ernest Loveland farmed for a short time. He then became interested in the lumber business as a wholesale dealer and shipped mining timber throughout the country. He also engaged in the milling business and in 1892 rented a mill, and later built the Moscow Milling Company, which he continues

to operate. In 1909, with other leading business men of the city, Mr. Loveland organized the First National Bank, of which he has continued as president through the years and is now one of the directors of the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Company of Scranton. He built the Y. M. C. A. in 1915, which he presented to the borough of Moscow, and which was later turned over to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is treasurer of the Daleville (Oldest Cemetery) Association, which was set aside as a resting place for the pioneer settlers of this section. He was also one of the organizers of the Moscow Cemetery and served as treasurer for 20 years. He was one of the organizers of the borough of Moscow and served as president of the council 12 years.

On Sept. 23, 1885, Mr. Loveland was united in marriage with Miss Effie Mabel Wardell, the daughter of Edward and Mary H. (Havenstrite) Wardell, of Daleville. Mr. Wardell was the son of Squire Wardell, well known in this section of the State. Mr. Wardell is deceased and his widow lives at Moscow. To Mr. and Mrs. Loveland the following children were born: Mary, deceased; Ernest Kenneth, professor of Latin in Scranton High School, married Ethel Cobley, the daughter of William H. Cobley, of Moscow, and they have two children, Betty and Joseph; Elsie June, married John G. Huntley, of West Pittston, Pa., and they have two children, Mary and Jeanne; and Henry Wardell, a merchant at Moscow, married Helen Baker, the daughter of Doctor Baker, of Duryea, Pa., and they have three children, Phillip, James, and Donald.

Mr. Loveland is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for over 30 years has been Sunday superintendent. He is affiliated with Moscow Lodge F. & A. M. No. 504; Scranton Chapter, R. A. M. No. 185; Melita Commandery, K. T. No. 68; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R. No. 32; Irem Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Wilkes-Barre; Irem Country Club; and Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Moscow Lodge No. 703.

John Wiorkowski, mortician, is well and favorably known in Dickson City, where he has lived for many years. He was born in Luzerne County, Pa., July 4, 1887, and is the son of Paul and Mary (Iwankowski) Wiorkowski.

Paul Wiorkowski was a native of Germany and among the early settlers of Pennsylvania. For many years he worked in the mines and in later life engaged in general farming in Scott Township. He died in 1915 and his wife died in 1903. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Wiorkowski: Paul, died in June, 1927, at the age of 33 years; Felix, died at the age of nine years; Anthony and Frank, both died in infancy; Joseph, lives in Scranton; John, the subject of this sketch; Stanley, lives on the old homestead in Scott Township; William lives in Chicago, Ill.; and Anna, married Anthony Sajkowski, lives at Dickson City.

John Wiorkowski worked in the coal mines when he was a boy of 11 years. After a number of years at various mines he became interested

in the undertaking business, and in 1907 became associated with George A. Krokopovick, at Olyphant. He then attended the Eckels College of Embalming in Philadelphia, and received his State certificate. Mr. Wiorkowski embarked in the funeral business for himself at Dickson City in 1911 and has a well established business. He is a director of the First National Bank of Olyphant and is a stockholder in the Bosak Bank of Scranton.

Mr. Wiorkowski was united in marriage, Nov. 26, 1906, with Miss Sophia Krajnick, of Dickson City, and to them have been born five children: John, born in 1910; Thomas, born in 1913; Edward, born in 1917; and two children died in infancy.

Mr. Wiorkowski is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, he is also an active member of the St. Mary's Church Welfare Club of Dickson City and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Scranton. In politics he is identified with the Republican party and he has always been prominent in local politics, having held several public offices.

Adelbert Rogers, deceased, was among the substantial men of Scranton, where he engaged in the jewelry business for many years. He was born at Waymart, Pa., Dec. 12, 1864, and died in Scranton, May 26, 1923, and is buried at Nicholson, Pa.

Adelbert Rogers spent his boyhood in Binghamton, N. Y. and received his education in the public schools. Throughout his life he was associated with the jewelry business, and after coming to Scranton was employed by C. W. Freeman. He also lived at Nicholson, Pa., for a short time. In 1889 Mr. Rogers established a jewelry business in Scranton, which was located opposite the old Lackawanna Railroad station. Later the business was moved to Lackawanna Avenue, and in 1926 the jewelry business was moved to No. 130 Wyoming Avenue. Since the death of Mr. Rogers it has been successfully managed by his widow, who resides at 913 Pine Street.

Mr. Rogers married Miss Evelyn Kelly, who was born at Nicholson, Pa., April 4, 1867, the daughter of Dr. H. N. and Lydia (Stephens) Kelly. Doctor Kelly, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War and a prominent physician and surgeon of Nicholson. He was born at Tunkhannock, Pa., and his wife was a native of Nicholson. Dr. Kelly died at the age of 85 years, and his wife died in May, 1926. Both are buried in the Nicholson Cemetery. Dr. Kelly was a life long Democrat and a member of the Universalist Church. They were two children in the Kelly family: Evelyn Rogers; and Manning D., lives at Savannah. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Rogers. 1. Florence Elaine, married, first in 1914 to Harry Hopewell, deceased, and they had two sons. Adelbert, born July 1, 1915; and Harry, Jr., born July 7, 1920; married second, on May 28, 1927, to Karl Sylvester, lives in Scranton. 2. Geraldine Kelly, married in 1921 to Christopher Boland, Jr., real estate and insurance, lives in Scranton,

and they have a son, Christopher, III, born in 1924. 3. Gracia Margaret, married on Aug. 29, 1924, to Harold Mitten, lives in Scranton.

Mr. Rogers was a Republican, a member of the Universalist Church, and belonged to the Masonic and Elk Lodges. He was highly esteemed and well known in the community where he spent so many years.

Mary Jane McHale.—Among the prominent educators of Lackawanna County is Miss McHale, who has been identified with the schools of Olyphant for more than half a century. She was born at Carbondale, Nov. 29, 1860, the daughter of Michael and Jane (Kennedy) McHale.

Michael McHale was a native of Ireland, born at Kilala, County Mayo. His wife was born at Carrickfergus, County Antrim. When he first came to this country Mr. McHale engaged in masonry in the employ of Erie Company, and afterward moved to Carbondale. He was employed by the G. L. Morse Company at their tannery and from there went to Olyphant, where coal mining offered an inducement to a man with a family of seven. He retired at the age of 58 years, and died in March, 1901. His wife died in February, 1897. Both are buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Olyphant. The children of Mr. and Mrs. McHale are deceased with the exception of Mary Jane, the subject of this sketch, and Mrs. M. E. Harrison, of Elmira, N. Y. She was born Jan. 17, 1864.

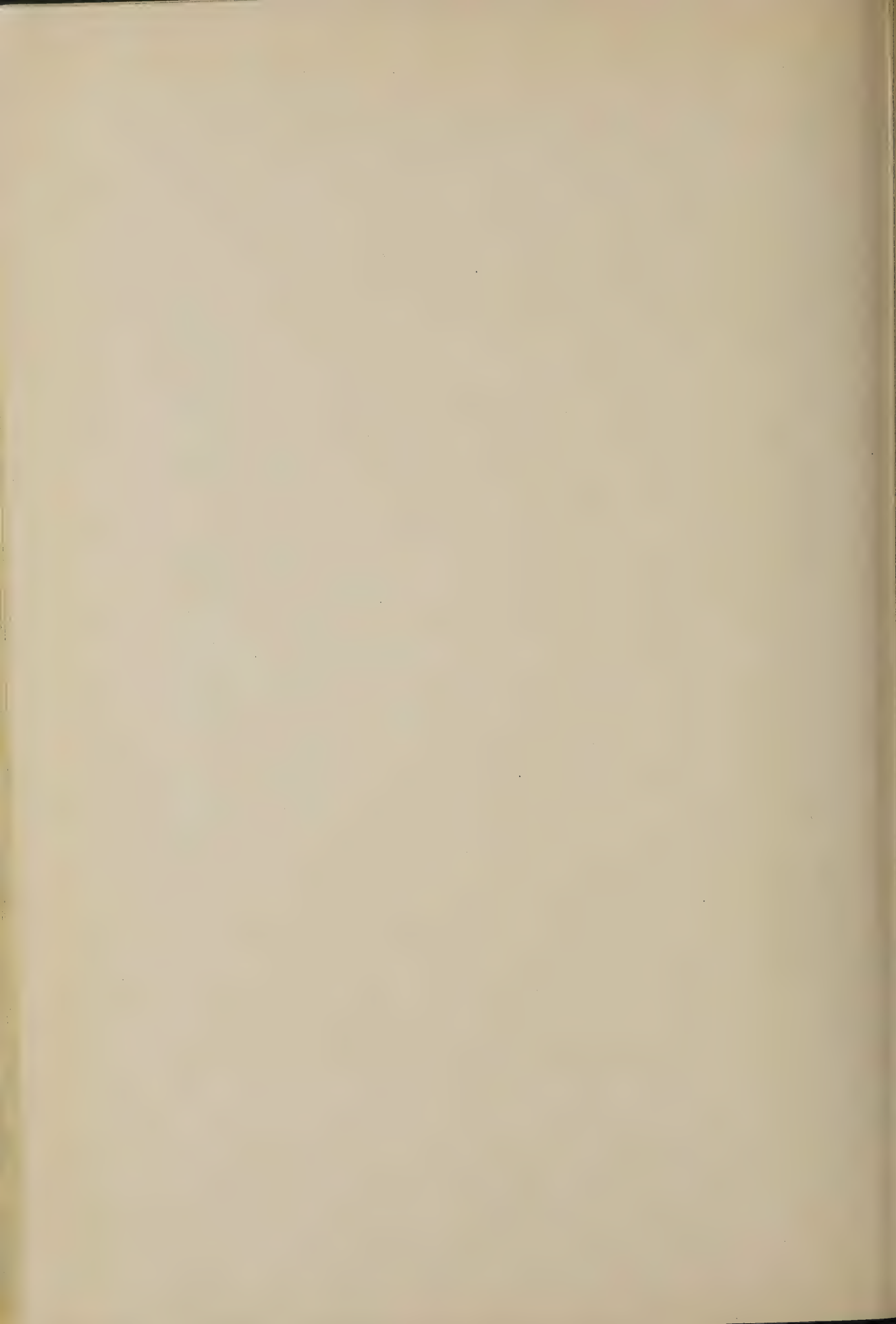
Mary Jane McHale was educated in the public schools of Olyphant, completed courses in extension work at Penn State College, and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education at Marywood College, Scranton. In September, 1873, she entered the teaching profession. At that time the local school system consisted of one graded and one ungraded school, the curricula being seven subjects. As the school grew and added subject after subject to the course it was necessary for the teacher to grow. Miss McHale met every requirement imposed upon the teacher by the State. She studied Latin under the late J. B. Hawker, father of the present J. B. Hawker of Scranton; algebra under the late Jeremiah Regan, whose son is superintendent in a section of Luzerne County. She holds provisional certificate, professional certificate, and State permanent certificate, to which she adds additional subjects yearly.

In 1884 Olyphant opened the doors of its high school with Prof. Rutledge of Pittston as principal. In those days it was a one man job, the course being one year. Miss McHale was chosen primary teacher, a position she filled until 1888, when she was assigned to an ungraded school, where she taught for the next five years. Thirty-four years ago she was elected vice principal of the high school with the late M. W. Cummings as principal and afterwards superintendent.

Miss McHale has the distinction of teaching the third generation, and most of her coworkers in the high school and the majority of teachers at present employed in the borough were former students of hers. Many of her boys are satellites today of the bar, medicine and clergy.



MARY JANE McHALE



She has seen the schools grow from a graded school to its present standard, a first class four year high school with ten teachers doing splendid departmental work. During the years that the school was growing Miss McHale has tried to keep one step ahead of the requirements by attending summer school. She has pursued courses of study at Penn State College and Marywood College, receiving her degree from the latter institution in 1925. At present she is reading law under the supervision of the American Extension University, Los Angeles, Cal.

C. F. Nagle. A widely known citizen and popular business man of Scranton is Mr. Nagle, general superintendent of the Scranton Electric Company. He was born in Mount Corey, Ohio, in 1882, the son of John B. and Emma E. (Falk) Nagle.

John B. Nagle was born in Baltimore, Md., and spent his early life in Hancock County, Ohio. Later he lived at York, Pa. Mr. Nagle was well known as a cigar manufacturer for many years. He now lives retired at Rochester, N. Y. He is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife is a native of Indiana. They had three children: C. F., the subject of this sketch; Ethel, married Arthur Gillard, a Christian Science practitioner, lives at Rochester, N. Y.; and Curtis, deceased.

C. F. Nagle was educated in the public schools of York, Pa., and in 1904 was graduated from Lafayette College, where he specialized in the study of electrical engineering. He spent the following two years with the Westinghouse Electric Company at Pittsburgh, was connected with the Pennsylvania Coal Company during 1906-07, and then went as general superintendent of the Citizens Illuminating Company of Pittston. He has held his present responsible position in Scranton since 1918.

In 1911 Mr. Nagle married Miss Elsie May Smyser, who was born at York, Pa., in 1883, the daughter of Michael and Anna Eliza (Straughan) Smyser, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Maryland. Mr. Smyser, a Civil War veteran, died in 1912, and his wife died in 1927. They are buried at York, Pa. They were the parents of the following children: James, employed in the city treasurer's office, York City; Clara, lives at York; Willis, pharmacist, lives at York; Pierson, merchant, lives at York; Grace, the widow of Albert Brown, lives at 527 Arthur Avenue, Scranton; and Elsie Mabel. Mr. and Mrs. Nagle have two sons: Smyser Floyd, born Aug. 15, 1912; and John Carlisle, born Jan. 10, 1914.

Mr. Nagle is a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Consistory, and Shrine. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club. In politics he is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of scholastic honorary fraternity Phi Beta Kappa and Greek letter fraternity Alpha Chi Rho.

Richard D. Roderick, M. D. To his work as a physician and surgeon, Doctor Roderick brought thorough preparation and sound personal qualities, and has enjoyed an unusual routine of professional and social activities at Jermyn, where he has been located since 1922. He was born at Plymouth, Pa., July 11, 1887, living here four years, then moving with his parents to the Hazelton region.

Doctor Roderick received his early schooling in the public schools of Hazelton, Pa., and studied medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1910. He then served one year as assistant surgeon at the Miners' State Hospital at Hazelton, Pa. He began his professional career at Maryd, Pa., and two years later, took up the specialized study of tuberculosis at the Bonar Sanitarium, near Bradford, Pa. During 1916 and 1917 he took post graduate work at the Philadelphia Polyclinic Hospital where he specialized in the study of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. The next few years were spent in practice throughout the soft coal regions of Pennsylvania and in 1922 Doctor Roderick located at Jermyn.

On June 28, 1922, Doctor Roderick married Miss Norma C. Williams, a graduate of Westchester State Normal School, and a teacher in the Edwardsville (Pa.) High School. They have two children: John Daniel, born March 3, 1924; and Charlotte Ann, born Sept. 19, 1926.

Doctor Roderick is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is also secretary of the Jermyn Board of Health. He holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge and Phi Rho Sigma fraternity. He is a Republican.

The Doctor holds recent patent on improvements in obstetrical forceps; which when properly placed on the market it is thought will be used by doctors in general.

Dr. John Nickey, one of the successful young dentists of Scranton, is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Carlisle, Pa., April 6, 1895, the son of John and Mary (Yeingst) Nickey.

John Nickey, Sr., was born at York, Pa., and in early youth located at Carlisle. For many years he was connected with the Reading Railroad Company as a train dispatcher, and now lives at Harrisburg, where he is associated with the J. H. Troop Company, the largest music house in Pennsylvania. Mr. Nickey is a Democrat, and a member of the Park Street Evangelical Church, of which he is Sunday School superintendent. His wife was born at Carlisle. Mr. and Mrs. Nickey have three children: John Jr., the subject of this sketch; Thelma, a teacher, lives at Harrisburg; and Henry, a student in civil engineering, at the University of Pennsylvania.

John Nickey, Jr., received his early education in the schools of Harrisburg, being graduated from high school in 1913. He then entered the

dental school of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his degree in 1919. He has since engaged in practice in Scranton with offices in the Connell Building. In 1918 Dr. Nickey volunteered for service in the World War and was attached to Company B, 3rd Division, and stationed in Philadelphia.

In 1917 Dr. Nickey was united in marriage with Miss Evelyn Phillips, who was born in Scranton, May 13, 1897, the daughter of Thomas H. and Mary (Thomas) Phillips. Mr. Phillips was born in Scranton and for 28 years served as superintendent of parks in this city. He resigned in 1924 and now lives retired. His wife was born in Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips had three children: Archie, civil engineer, lives in Scranton; Allen, Dunlap Tire Company, Buffalo, N. Y.; and Mrs. Nickey. Doctor and Mrs. Nickey are the parents of a son, John, born March 1, 1925.

Dr. Nickey is a Republican, a member of the Elm Park Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. He is well known among the professional men of the city and for the past eight years has served as school dentist in Scranton.

Charles Burgerhoff, wholesale fruit and produce dealer, ranks high among the substantial merchants of Scranton. He was born in this city, Oct. 12, 1888, the son of Henry and Anna (Hailstone) Burgerhoff.

Henry Burgerhoff was born in Germany and at an early age emigrated to the United States. He spent several years in New York City and then came to Scranton, where he engaged in the produce business in 1882. He became one of the leading wholesale merchants of the city and continued in business until the time of his death, which occurred in March, 1919. His wife died in 1892. Both are buried in Scranton. There were five children in the Burgerhoff family: Harry, deceased; Andrew, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history; William, deceased; Charles, the subject of this sketch; and Anna, married Samuel Thomas, lives in Philadelphia.

The boyhood of Charles Burgerhoff was spent in Scranton and he attended St. Patrick's Academy. At an early age he became associated with his father's business, but in March, 1905, gave up his work and enlisted in the United States Navy at Buffalo, N. Y. He served on the Battleship Charleston for two years and then was transferred to the Battleship Nebraska, making a world cruise with a fleet which numbered 16 battleships. He was discharged as a second class gunner's mate on March 30, 1909, from the Brooklyn Navy Yard, N. Y. Mr. Burgerhoff then returned to Scranton and remained with his father in business until 1918, at which time he organized his present wholesale fruit and produce business at 32 Lackawanna Avenue.

Mr. Burgerhoff was married first to Miss Mary Jones, who was born in Scranton, Aug. 30, 1885. She is deceased and is buried in the Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. A son was born to this union, Henry,

born April 8, 1913. Mr. Burgerhoff was married later to Miss Jennie Jones, who was born in Scranton, Aug. 30, 1885, a twin sister of his first wife. To this union two sons were born: William, born Feb. 12, 1916; and Charles, Jr., born Aug. 30, 1921. Mrs. Burgerhoff is the daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Jones) Jones, natives of Wales and early settlers of Scranton. Both are deceased. They were the parents of the following children: Margaret, deceased, was the wife of Sidney Jones, who lives in Scranton; Mary and Jennie, twins.

The family residence is at 1514 Lafayette Street, Scranton.

James H. Lally.—The hardware house of James H. Lally, as well as the Lally Plumbing and Heating Company, has long been recognized as one of the substantial business houses of Olyphant. Mr. Lally was born near Montrose, Susquehanna County, Pa., May 18, 1875, the son of Bartholomew and Maria (Hoban) Lally.

Bartholomew Lally was born in Ireland and was among the early settlers of Honesdale, Pa. He worked on the canal for several years and later removed to Olyphant in 1861, where he was employed in the coal mines. He died about 1895 and his wife died in 1915. Both are buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. Lally had five children: Catherine, the widow of Henry Gilhooley, lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Jennie, married Charles J. Hanlon, lives at Olyphant; John J., died in 1904; Thomas F., lives at Olyphant; and James H., the subject of this sketch.

James H. Lally attended the public schools of Avoca in Luzerne County and in early youth was employed in the coal mines as a breaker boy. He began his business career at Olyphant in 1891 in partnership with his brother, John J., and they continued in the hardware business as partners for 11 years, at which time James H. Lally purchased his brother's interest. On Jan. 1, 1927, the hardware department became an independent division of the Plumbing and Heating Company. It is located at 112 Lackawanna Street and has one of the largest and best stocks of general hardware in Olyphant. The Lally Plumbing and Heating Company, of which James H. is secretary and treasurer, are doing an extensive business as plumbing and heating contractors. They carry a complete line of paints and oils. Mr. Lally has been a director of the Olyphant Bank since its organization in 1909.

On Aug. 14, 1907, Mr. Lally was married to Miss Mary A. Doud, of Scranton, and they have four children; Mary, was graduated from St. Patrick's High School in 1927; Joseph, Robert and Rose, all students.

Mr. Lally is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree. He has served as president, secretary and treasurer of the Olyphant School Board, at different times, having been a member from 1908 to 1912. He was president of the board when the new Olyphant High School was built. He takes an active interest in all community affairs.



JAMES H. LALLY

Andrew Burgerhoff is among the reliable business men of Scranton, where he was born March 12, 1883. He is the son of Henry and Anna (Hailstone) Burgerhoff.

Henry Burgerhoff was born in Germany and at an early age emigrated to the United States. He spent several years in New York city and then came to Scranton, where he engaged in the produce business in 1882. He became one of the leading wholesale merchants of the city and continued in business until the time of his death, which occurred in March, 1919. His wife died in 1892. They both are buried in Scranton. There were five children in the Burgerhoff family: Harry, deceased; Andrew, the subject of this sketch; William, deceased; Charles, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history; and Anna, married Samuel Thomas, lives in Philadelphia. Mr. Burgerhoff was a lifelong Republican, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge, Shrine and Elks Lodge.

Andrew Burgerhoff attended St. Patrick's school, Scranton, and in early youth was associated with his father's business. He has continued in this line of work and since 1920 has conducted his own business at 31 Lackawanna Avenue. He is one of the largest wholesale fruit and produce dealers in the city.

In 1911 Mr. Burgerhoff was united in marriage with Miss Cora Snow of Taylorville, Pa., the daughter of Shepherd and Mary Jane (Moyer) Snow, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. Snow, who died in 1924, was an engineer. He was a Republican and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His widow lives at 324 West Rebecca Avenue, Scranton. They had three daughters: Bertha, married E. H. Parker, lives in Philadelphia; Nettie, married Isaac Kirkenbaugh, lives in Scranton; and Cora Burgerhoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgerhoff have no children.

In politics Mr. Burgerhoff is identified with the Republican party.

George E. Haak, who is connected with the Scranton School District as purchasing agent and superintendent of buildings and supplies, is among the city's well known men. He was born in Pine Grove, Schuylkill County, Pa., Nov. 11, 1880, a son of E. J. and Sarah (Drine) Haak.

E. J. Haak was born in Berks County, Pa., but spent most of his life in Schuylkill County, where he was engaged in the general mercantile business. He was secretary of the Pine Grove School Board for 25 years and was prominent in the affairs of the community. He was a Republican in politics, a member of the Evangelical Church, and was secretary of the Pine Grove Lodge of Masons for a great many years. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried at Pine Grove. They were the parents of three children: Harry, who lives in Scranton; May, a teacher, lives at Pine Grove; and George, the subject of this sketch.

The early education of George E. Haak was received in the public schools of Pine Grove, the Buck Business School in Scranton, and the

Wharton School. Mr. Haak spent six years in the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad in the office of the General Superintendent of Transportation, then going to the general offices of the International Salt Company, Scranton. Since 1912 he has held his present position with the School District of the City of Scranton.

In 1906 Mr. Haak married Miss Emily Clare Brewster, a native of Pennsylvania, and the daughter of Dr. Frederick Douglass Brewster and Emma (Wilson) Brewster. Dr. Brewster, born in Montrose, Pa., settled in Scranton in 1889, and since that date has been numbered among the leading physicians of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Haak have three children: Dorothy a student at Syracuse University; Mary and George Jr., students in the Scranton public schools.

Mr. Haak is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Peter Williamson Lodge of Masons, Irem Temple, Chamber of Commerce, Y. M. C. A. and the Kiwanis Club.

Ferdinand A. Bartecchi, M. D. A physician and surgeon of exceptional qualifications, Dr. Bartecchi, of Scranton, has engaged in practice in this city since 1922. He was born at Jessup, Pa., Oct. 15, 1897, a son of Dominick and Fidalma (Cecoli) Bartecchi.

Dominick Bartecchi, deceased, was a native of Italy. He came to the United States at an early age and settled at Jessup, Pa., later removing to Scranton, where he was well known as a mining contractor. He died Nov. 25, 1923, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery. His widow lives at 530 Gibbons Street, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Bartecchi the following children were born: John, lives at Olyphant; Julia, married Frank Fidati, lives in Scranton; Ferdinand A., the subject of this sketch; Aurora, married Anthony Bravetti, lives in Scranton; Victoria, died in 1927; Carlo, attends St. Thomas College; and Joseph, a student.

Ferdinand A. Bartecchi, during his youth, attended the parochial schools of Scranton and is a graduate of St. Rose's Academy, Carbondale. He continued his education at St. Thomas College, Scranton, from which he was graduated in 1916, and took his medical course at the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1920. He had one year of training as an interne in St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia, and spent a year at the University of Rome, Italy. Upon his return to the United States in 1923, Dr. Bartecchi established his present practice in Scranton. He is a member of the Lackawanna County Medical Society. He has offices at 828 West Lackawanna Avenue.

On Feb. 22, 1925, Dr. Bartecchi was united in marriage with Miss Mamie Mira, who was born in Scranton, Sept. 5, 1907, the daughter of Gaspar and Rose (Bianca) Mira, natives of Italy, and residents of Philadelphia.

Dr. Bartecchi is a member of St. Lucy's Catholic Church, and the Riccioffi Garibaldi Society and Foresters of America. He was a candi-

date for coroner of Lackawanna County, in general election in the fall of 1927. During the war he served in students army training corps at University of Pennsylvania.

Francis P. Eagen is among the capable and well known men of Scranton, where he has been known as a funeral director since 1917. He was born at Minooka, Pa., Nov. 12, 1888, the son of James and Honora (O'Hara) Eagen.

James Eagen, deceased, was a native of Ireland. In early youth he emigrated to this country and settled in Lackawanna County, where he spent the remainder of his life as a coal miner. He died June 3, 1900, and his wife died May 9, 1909. Both are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. Mr. Eagen was a life long Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. There were 11 children in the Eagen family, as follows: Michael, died in 1908; Mary, retired, lives on the old homestead at Minooka; Rev. Phillip, a Christian Brother, formerly president of St. Thomas College, Scranton, now identified with the New Cathedral High School of Pittsburgh; Felix, hardware merchant, lives at Ridgeway, Pa.; Susan, at home; Joseph, hardware merchant, lives at Archbald, Pa.; Laura, married M. J. Lowry, lives in Scranton; Margaret, lives at home; James, died in 1924; Francis P., the subejct of this sketch; and Nora, married William Brady, lives at Duryea, Pa.

Francis P. Eagen attended the public schools of Minooka and in 1907 was graduated from St. Thomas College, Scranton. He then took a course at the Lackawanna Business College and began his business career with the Hudson Coal Company in a clerical capacity. From 1912 until 1914 he was with the Baltimore Life Insurance Company and from 1914 until 1917 was associated with the Cusick undertaking establishment of Scranton. During 1917 he was graduated from the Eckles School of Embalming, Philadelphia, and he soon after located in Scranton, where he ranks among the leading morticians. His funeral home, which is located at 2908 Birney Avenue, is one of the up-to-date and well equipped mortuaries to be found in this section of Pennsylvania. He is secretary of the Lackawanna County Undertakers Association.

On Oct. 24, 1917, Mr. Eagen was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Whalen, of Scranton, the daughter of James and Ellen (Barrett) Whalen, the former a native of Wales and the latter of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Whalen, who live in Scranton, are the parents of the following children: Margaret Eagen; Doctor Edward, a physician, lives in Scranton; Mary, lives at home; and William, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Eagen have three children: James, born Aug. 10, 1918; Mary, born Dec. 31, 1919; and Francis, Jr., born Nov. 29, 1922.

Politically, Mr. Eagen is a Democrat. He and his family hold membership in the Catholic Church.

James K. Bentley, M. D., is prominent among the pioneer physicians and surgeons of Scranton, where he has engaged in the practice of his profession continuously since 1868. He was born in Otsego County, N. Y., Feb. 2, 1846, the son of William C. and Caroline (Peters) Bentley.

William Clarke Bentley was a native of Albany, N. Y., and an early settler of Gilbertsville, in Otsego County, where he was prominent as a lawyer for over half a century. He also served as a member of the New York State Legislature and was a life long Democrat. Mr. Bentley died Feb. 18, 1883, and his wife died April 14, 1869. Both are buried in Brookside Cemetery, Gilbertsville, N. Y. Mr. Bentley held membership in the Presbyterian church. There were ten children in the Bentley family, of whom James K., the subject of this sketch, was the ninth in order of birth.

The boyhood of James K. Bentley was spent at Gilbertsville, and his early education was obtained in the Academy at that place. He was graduated in medicine from the University of Buffalo, N. Y., in February, 1867, and spent the following year in practice at Saginaw, Mich. He then located in Scranton, being one of the first physicians in the city. He has been in his present location, 1711 Church Avenue, for almost 50 years, and is still active in practice. He has served as a member of the health board of Scranton for 10 years and was president of that body for two years. He was president of the Associated Board of Health of Lackawanna County as long as that organization existed.

On March 23, 1870, Doctor Bentley was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth LaBar, who was born in Luzerne County, Pa., Jan. 24, 1835. She died Dec. 27, 1909, and is buried in Dunmore Cemetery. They were the parents of one daughter, Margaret LaBar, born Jan. 25, 1871. She resides with her father in Scranton.

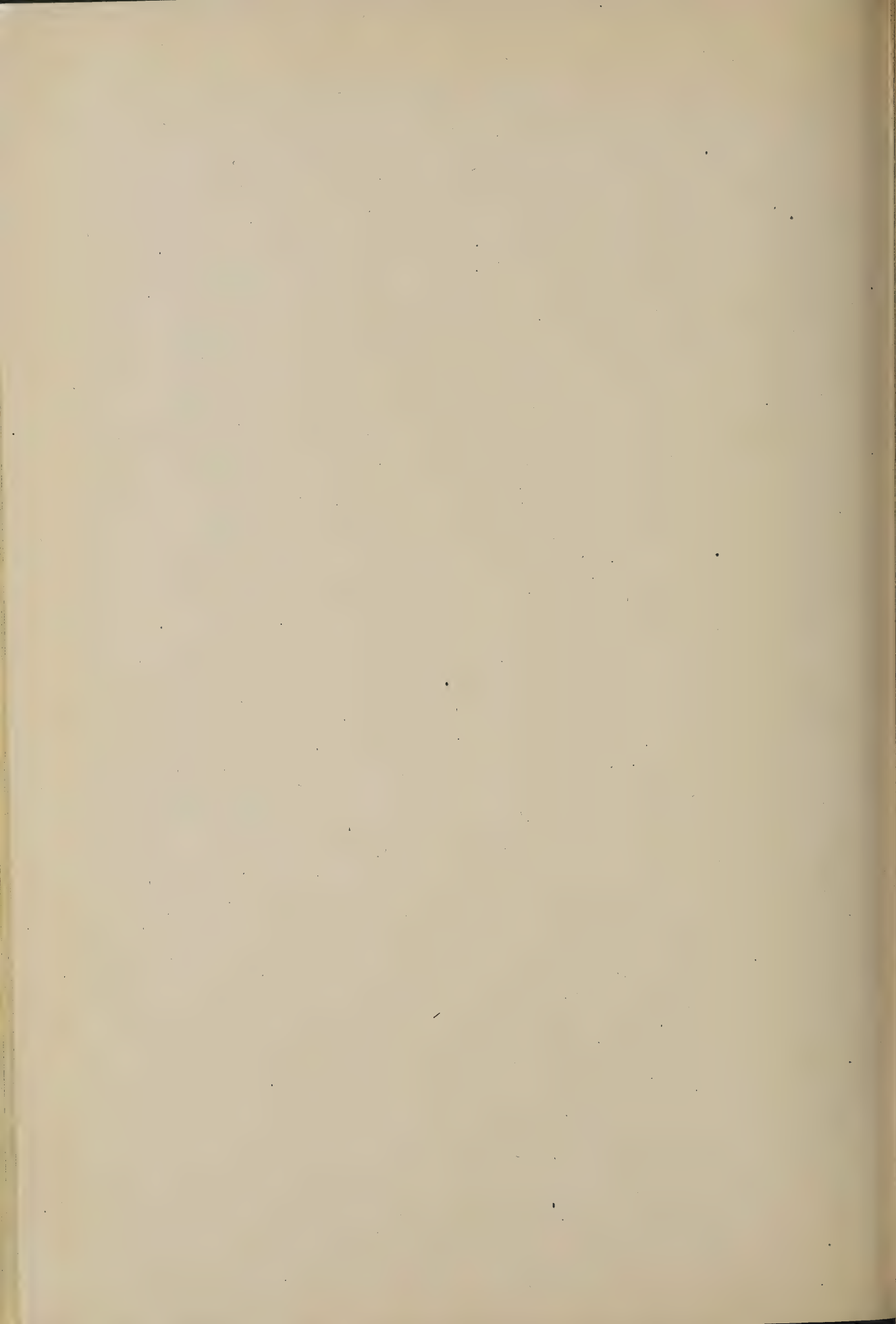
Doctor Bentley has always been a Democrat. He has been affiliated with the Masonic lodge since 1869 and is a member of Waverly lodge, No. 301.

Frank M. Regan. Two generations of the Regan family have been in the undertaking business in Scranton. The establishment founded by John E. Regan in 1887 is flourishing in the hands of his son, Frank M. Regan, who was born in Scranton, Feb. 23, 1901.

John E. Regan was born in England, May 11, 1861. After his arrival in this country he settled in Scranton and became one of the city's substantial men. He was a Democrat and served as a councilman from the Sixth Ward for a number of years. He held membership in the Catholic Church and belonged to the Knights of Columbus and Knights of St. George. Mr. Regan was the Pennsylvania delegate at the national convention of funeral directors, which was held in St. Paul, Minn., in 1924. He died March 16, 1925, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. On Nov. 26, 1885, Mr. Regan was married to Miss Ellen Moffett, who was



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born in England, April 12, 1865. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Regan has continued as manager of the business, which is located at 432 Railroad Avenue. To Mr. and Mrs. Regan three children were born: Agnes, lives in Scranton; Frank M., the subject of this sketch; and Edward, lives in Scranton.

Frank M. Regan obtained his education in the public and parochial schools of Scranton and is a graduate of St. Thomas College. In 1917 he became associated with his father's undertaking establishment and succeeded to the business upon the latter's death in 1925. It is one of the oldest undertaking establishments in Scranton and one of the few businesses in the city which have so good a record of continuous existence. It has been kept up to date at all times and equipped with every requirement of the profession.

Mr. Regan was married April 10, 1921, to Miss Clara MacDonald, of Scranton. They have three children: Eleanor, born Oct. 31, 1923; Jack, born Feb. 21, 1925; and Donald, born April 2, 1927.

Mr. Regan is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

Matthew J. Cary is well known in Scranton, where he is identified with the M. E. Comerford Amusement Company as manager of the real estate department, with offices in the State Theatre Building. Mr. Cary was born at Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 27, 1873, a son of Matthew and Nora (Daly) Cary.

Matthew Cary, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Tunkhannock, Pa., and in early life removed to Binghamton, N. Y., where he was interested in the hotel business for many years, being connected with the Exchange and Bernett hotels. He was a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife was a native of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Cary, deceased, were the parents of the following children: John and Nora, both deceased; Mary, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; Matthew J., the subject of this sketch; Catherine, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; and Edward K., assistant manager of the new Syracuse (N. Y.) Hotel.

After completing his schooling in Binghamton, N. Y., Matthew J. Cary became associated with the Lackawanna Railroad Company, in whose employ he remained in Scranton for 34 years. He began as a shipping clerk in 1892 and resigned as chief clerk of the railroad yards, having held the latter position for 15 years. At the time of his resignation in May, 1926, Mr. Cary became identified with the M. E. Comerford Amusement Company of Scranton as manager of the real estate department. He lives at 409 Clay Avenue.

Mr. Cary was married on April 19, 1899, to Miss Margaret Comerford, who was born at Plymouth, Pa., in 1882. To them were born four children: Rev. Paul, born April 21, 1900, ordained to the priesthood in

June, 1928; Alice, born Sept. 1, 1902, died Dec. 23, 1925, buried in Plymouth Cemetery; Matthew J., Jr., born in 1909, attends Mt. St. Mary's School at Emmitsburg, Md.; and Thomas, born in March, 1911, attends St. Thomas College, Scranton.

Mr. Cary is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, being a charter member of the Scranton society. He also belongs to the Holy Name Society.

Walter A. O'Malley is among the most progressive and successful young business men of Scranton, where he is vice-president of the Heights Baking Company, of 1628 Cedar Avenue. Mr. O'Malley was born in this city, Jan. 20, 1890, a son of John and Ann (Carden) O'Malley.

Both John O'Malley and his wife were natives of Scranton, where they spent their entire lives. He was employed in the coal mines of this region and was killed in a mine disaster in 1900. His wife died in 1893 and they are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. O'Malley was a Democrat and a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley: Lucile, married Ellsworth Morley, lives in Scranton; Edward, lives in Scranton; Stella, married William Ready, lives in Scranton; Catherine; and Walter A., the subject of this sketch.

The boyhood of Walter A. O'Malley was spent in Scranton and in early youth he entered the coal mines. Later he was employed by the Scranton Gas Company for 18 years and in 1917 became interested in the baking business as a salesman. In 1924 the Heights Baking Company was organized by Mr. O'Malley, Vincent Vanston, and Frank Jauhs. Later the interest of Mr. Jauhs was purchased by Messrs. O'Malley and Vanston, and the business is now owned by them. Mr. Vanston is president and Mr. O'Malley is vice-president. This modern baking plant operates nine automobile trucks and employs approximately 25 people. The territory covered by the company extends throughout Scranton, Ford City, and Hazelton, Pa.

On Oct. 16, 1912, Mr. O'Malley was united in marriage with Miss Loretta O'Rourke, of Pittston, Pa., born Jan. 16, 1891, the daughter of Christopher and Bridget (Lynott) O'Rourke, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Pittston, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. O'Rourke, deceased, were the parents of the following children: Mamie, lives at Pittston; James, lives at Pittston; John, deceased; Ann, married Daniel Carmody, lives at Pittston; Christopher, lives at Pittston; Michael, William, and Mary, all deceased; Catherine, married Patrick McFadden, lives at Pittston; Loretta O'Malley; and two children died in infancy. To Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley have been born three children: Mary, born Sept. 29, 1913; Bettie, born May 7, 1917; and Eugene, born July 3, 1926.

Mr. O'Malley is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to St. Bernard's Society. He has always been a Democrat.

Russell Wall, M. D. An experienced physician and surgeon, Doctor Wall is numbered among the representative men of Scranton, and is one who has honorably won the position he holds in his profession. He was born at Damascus, Pa., Aug. 2, 1884, the son of Theodore and Mary (Bryant) Wall.

Theodore Wall, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Damascus, but spent practically his entire life at Hawley, Pa., where he was well known as a glass manufacturer for 40 years. He was also interested in the milling and lumber business. Mr. Wall was a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. He died in 1927 and is buried at Hawley, where his widow now resides. Mr. and Mrs. Wall had four sons: Floyd, died at the age of nine years; Russell, the subject of this sketch; Raymond, merchant lives at Pittston, Pa.; and Arthur, a World War veteran, lives at Honesdale, Pa.

Russell Wall attended the grammar and high schools of Hawley. He then was graduated from Wyoming Seminary in 1904, and received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1909. For a year thereafter he was resident physician at the Moses Taylor Hospital, Scranton. He then established his practice in this city, where he specializes in surgery. His offices are in the Scranton Lackawanna Trust Building, and he lives at 1221 Gibson Street. Professionally he belongs to the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

In 1914 Doctor Wall was married to Miss Grace Underwood of Ashley, Pa., the daughter of A. A. and Ida (Vincent) Underwood, of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Underwood have three children: Charles, investment broker, lives at Hazelton, Pa.; Grace Wall; and Fred, broker, lives in New York City. To Doctor and Mrs. Wall have been born three children: Elizabeth, born April 1, 1915; Russell, Jr., born in July, 1919; and Dorothy, born in November, 1925.

Doctor Wall is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

Robert J. Flynn, M. D., one of the most popular of the younger physicians and surgeons of Scranton, is a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, Dec. 9, 1895, a son of John and Catherine (Calpin) Flynn.

John Flynn, who is well known in Scranton as a successful merchant, is a native of this city. His wife was also born here. Mr. Flynn is a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Flynn the following children were born: Irene, lives at home; Robert J., the subject of this sketch; Walter, lives at home; Mary and Margaret, both teachers, live at home.

The early education of Robert J. Flynn was received in the public schools of Scranton. He then took up the study of medicine and in 1916 was graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He served his internship at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, and the Moses Taylor Hospital, Scranton, and in October, 1917, volunteered for service in the World War. He enlisted in the Medical Corps and was soon promoted to captain and sent to France, where he was attached to the British Expeditionary Forces. He was discharged at Camp Dix, N. J., June 5, 1919. Upon his return to Scranton, Doctor Flynn established offices at 551 Fourth Avenue, where he carries on a large practice. He was formerly surgeon for the fire and police departments of Scranton and is connected with the United States Medical Department in this city.

Doctor Flynn is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society. He is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the American Legion and Elks Lodge. He is a medical officer of the United States Veterans' Bureau.

Samuel H. Chipak, mortician, is one of the dependable and well known business men of Scranton. His well appointed funeral home is located at 429 South Washington Avenue. Mr. Chipak was born in Czecho-Slovakia, Nov. 28, 1885, a son of Samuel and Susan (Yurczo) Chipak.

Samuel Chipak, deceased, was an early settler of Scranton, and spent 30 years in the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad. In 1890 he removed to Pittston, Pa., but five years later returned to Scranton, where he died Oct. 5, 1924. His wife died Jan. 23, 1926, and they are buried in St. John's Greek Cemetery at Minooka, Pa. Mr. Chipak was active in the organization of the Pennsylvania Roman and Greek Union and the National Slovak Union, and held offices in both of these organizations. He was a Republican. To Mr. and Mrs. Chipak the following children were born: Anna, deceased, was the wife of John E. Pinko; Helen, deceased, was the wife of Andrew Hackas, of Scranton; Samuel H., the subject of this sketch; John, Frank, and Michael, all live in Scranton.

Samuel H. Chipak was eight years old when his parents brought him to the United States. His boyhood was spent in Scranton and he attended the public schools. He also attended Woods Business College and is a graduate of the Barnes School of Embalming of New York City. He returned to Scranton in 1911 and has engaged in business here since that date. Mr. Chipak owns one of the finest funeral homes in Lackawanna County and renders complete service. A chapel is also to be found in connection with the mortuary.

On Nov. 25, 1911, Mr. Chipak was united in marriage with Miss Susan Chismer, who was born in Czecho-Slovakia, May 31, 1880, the daughter of Michael and Anna (Ketchmar) Chismer. Mr. Chismer died May 23, 1919, and his widow lives with her daughter, Mrs. Chipak. There were



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five children in the Chismer family, as follows: John, lives at Summit, Pa.; Michael J., lives at East Stroudsburg, Pa.; Mary, married Charles Kordanich, lives at Dunmore; Anna, married Patrick J. Grady, lives in Pennsylvania; and Susan Chipak. To Mr. and Mrs. Chipak have been born four children: John J., born Sept. 20, 1912; Evelyn, born April 23, 1917; Verna, born May 2, 1919; and Eleanor, born July 12, 1923.

Mr. Chipak is a Republican, a member of the Catholic church, and belongs to the Catholic Slovak Union, the Greek Catholic Union, National Slovak Union, and the Elks lodge. He is a director of the Bosak State Bank of Scranton. Mr. Chipak has recently purchased property at 1231-1235 Wyoming Avenue where he intends to erect a funeral home and monumental business in the near future, and also a residence.

George D. Fuchs or Fox. One of the leading architects and building contractors in Scranton is Mr. Fox, a native of this city. He was born Dec. 28, 1872, a son of John George Fuchs and Mary (Klein) Fox.

John George Fuchs or Fox came to this country from Germany in 1869 and settled in Scranton, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a Republican, a member of the German Presbyterian Church, and was well known in the city. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in the Pittston Avenue Cemetery. They were the parents of the following children: Louise, deceased; Frederick, lives in Scranton; Julia, married Charles Moeur, lives in Scranton; George D., the subject of this sketch; Gustave and William, live in Scranton; Kate, married Fred Bohn, lives in Scranton; Dora, married Herman Crowell, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; Charles, lives in Scranton; and Lottie, married John Hidig, lives in Scranton.

George D. Fuchs or Fox received a common school education and attended School No. 8, Scranton. When 16 years of age he learned the carpenter's trade. Since 1909 he has also been interested in the lumber and milling business, and is a retail dealer in builders' supplies. His place of business is located at 2025 Prospect Avenue.

On May 20, 1896, Mr. Fox married Miss Kittie Millich, who was born in Scranton, Aug. 7, 1873, a daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Wizzard) Millich, natives of Germany. Mr. Millich was an early settler of Scranton and for many years was employed as a conductor on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He served throughout the Civil War and was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Millich died suddenly Sept. 5, 1900, while taking part in a patriotic parade in Philadelphia. His wife died April 20, 1923, and they are buried in the Pittston Avenue Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Millich were the parents of the following children: Minnie, married William Miller, lives in Scranton; Mary, married Peter C. Miller, lives in Scranton; Charles, Frederick, and Elizabeth all deceased; Kittie Fox; Dora, married William Phillips, both deceased; August, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.;

and Anna, married Christ Woehrle, lives in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Fuchs or Fox are the parents of five children: Ruth, born Feb. 5, 1897, died in infancy; Herbert, born April 29, 1900, married in June, 1927, to Miss Ruth Gunter, lives in Scranton; Esther Elizabeth, born March 23, 1907, attends Westchester Normal School; Dorothy Adele, born Aug. 17, 1913, attends Central High School; and William, died in infancy.

Mr. Fox is a Republican, a member of the German Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Patriotic Sons of America.

Charles S. Sandone. In the expansion of Scranton's prestige, commercial vision and business capacity have been definitely shown in the development, in a comparatively short period of time, of one more important enterprise of substantial character, the Sandone Motor Company, Inc., of which Charles S. Sandone is treasurer and general manager. Mr. Sandone is yet a young man, born Dec. 20, 1893, at Philadelphia, son of Pasquale and Anna Sandone.

Mr. Sandone obtained a public school education in his native city, then learned the automobile business very thoroughly. In 1916 he came to Scranton as superintendent of the Ford factory here. The nucleus of the present motor company was the forming of the partnership of Kendall & Sandone, in 1917, subsequently, when Mr. Kendall withdrew, the name being changed to the Sandone Motor Company, and incorporated, with Anthony Sandone, president; Nicholas Coyer, secretary; and Charles S. Sandone, treasurer. In 1922, the Sandone brothers bought out all the other interests and now conduct the business under the name of the Sandone Motor Company, Inc., the only authorized Ford agency on the north side of the city and located on Wyoming Avenue. The corporation's agency at Pittston is operated as the Charles S. Sandone Company. The Scranton plant gives continuous employment to about 40 men. As indicating the company's enterprise, the books show that in 1924 the sales reached 1,000 Ford cars and that each year has shown a steady advance. On March 10, 1925, the Sandone Motor Company, Inc., took over the Ford agency downtown. This building, known as the Ford Building, is 81 by 181 feet, and contains two stories and basement. The company will sell or lease their plant on North Main Avenue.

Mr. Sandone is a member of such representative organizations as the Knights of Columbus, the T. P. A., the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he belongs to the Business Men's Association and the Lackawanna Motor Club. Politically he is a Democrat.

Mr. Sandone was married in 1912, and has four children: Josephine, born in 1913; Charles S., Jr., born in 1915; Pascal, born in 1917; and John, born in 1919. Mr. Sandone and family are members of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church.

Benjamin B. Hicks. In 1890 Benjamin B. Hicks came to Scranton and three years later began his association with the Third National Bank of Scranton, which has never been dissolved, but on the contrary, has grown closer and more intimate as the years have rolled on. As clerk in 1893 and vice-president in 1927, Mr. Hicks is recognized as one of the able financiers of Scranton, and is one of the best known banking men of Lackawanna County.

The Hicks family is an old and important one in Columbia County, having existed since the date of the establishment of Mahlon Hicks, grandfather of Benjamin B. Hicks. The family came from England and made settlement near Philadelphia, later in Columbia County, Pa., that locality having since been the family seat. Originally members of the Society of Friends, this branch of the family embraced Methodism, and to that denomination Benjamin B. Hicks has long been a pillar of strength. He is a grandson of Mahlon Hicks and a son of Mordecai Millard Hicks, who was born at Willow Grove, Columbia County, Pa., in 1827 and died in 1904. He was a farmer and during his active years was a member of the Patrons of Husbandry. With Mordecai M. Hicks, Methodism came into the family, he being for many years an official member of the Lime Ridge Methodist Episcopal Church, serving as steward, trustee, and class leader. He married Harriet M. Stahl, daughter of William Stahl, of Briar Creek, Pa. She was also an active, devout Methodist. They were the parents of seven children, five of whom grew to maturity: Minnie, the widow of Benjamin F. Hicks, resides at Bloomsburg, Pa.; Alice, married S. W. Kelcher, lives at Grant's Pass, Ore.; Samuel H., resides at Kingston, Pa.; Benjamin, mention of whom is made below; and Susie, married C. H. Kline, lives at Bloomsburg, Pa.

Benjamin B. Hicks, son of Mordecai M. and Harriet M. (Stahl) Hicks, was born at the home farm at Willow Grove, Columbia County, Pa., Dec. 8, 1864, and there grew to manhood, obtaining a good education in the public schools. He continued as his father's farm assistant until he reached the age of 20 years and then, in 1884, left home. Spending a year in general employment he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad in 1886 as a helper in the freight house at Plymouth, Pa. The following year he was appointed station baggage master. He was later made assistant ticket agent, holding that position until 1890, when he resigned and located in Scranton, where he entered the employ of the U. S. Express Company as a transcript clerk. He was later appointed cashier and remained in this position until 1893, when he entered the service of the Third National Bank of Scranton as a bookkeeper and clerk. He was steadily advanced in rank until he reached the cashier's desk in 1909. He was appointed vice-president in 1919 and also was made trust officer at that time.

Mr. Hicks was married on Sept. 9, 1891, to Miss Lydia M. Shaffer, the daughter of Samuel U. Shaffer, of Plymouth, Pa. Like her husband,

Mrs. Hicks is a devout member of the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal Church, active in missionary work and other special departments of church activities. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks have two children: Millard Utley and Harriet Elizabeth.

Mr. Hicks is a Republican and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, being a member of Peter Williamson, No. 328, the Keystone Consistory, and Irem Temple, Shrine, and also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, the Lackawanna Motor Club, the Scranton Club and the Masonic Club. He is active in Sunday School work, having served as superintendent and assistant for 28 years. He is vice-president and director of the Scranton Board of Trade Development Company and is director and treasurer of the Scranton Y. M. C. A. Mr. Hicks has won the high esteem of the community in which he has spent over 30 years of his life, and has justly won the position he holds in the city's business life. During the World War Mr. Hicks was active as a member of the Bankers Executive Committee for the Liberty Loan drives.

Timothy H. Collins.—One of the progressive business men of Scranton is Timothy H. Collins who is manager of the Comerford Amusement Company. He was born in this city, Oct. 10, 1856, the son of John C. and Catherine (Ryan) Collins.

John C. Collins was born in Ireland and was an early settler of Scranton, where he was employed by the Scranton Iron & Coal Company. Throughout the Civil War he served as a member of the 81st Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry and was held captive in Andersonville prison. He died a year after his discharge from the service, and is buried at Scranton, Pa. His wife is also deceased. Mr. Collins was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic church. There were five children in the Collins family: Andrew, deceased; Timothy H., the subject of this sketch; Thomas, lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; John, deceased; and Mary, married Thomas Baker, both deceased.

Timothy H. Collins attended the old Black school house on First Street in Scranton, his first teacher being Miss Sarah Krigbom. He spent a number of years in Colorado and Mexico, where he was interested in copper mining. He was vice president and general manager of the Pennsylvania and Cananea Copper Company. This company owned 5,000 acres of land in Mexico. Conditions which arose in 1906 proved disastrous to the enterprise and have continued to the present time. He returned to Scranton in 1912 and since that time has been connected with the Comerford interests. He is also manager of the Orpheum Theatre at 220 Lackawanna Avenue.

On Oct. 12, 1881, Mr. Collins was married to Miss Mary Comerford, who died June 20, 1894. She was a sister of Rev. T. J. Comerford, and the daughter of John and Catherine (Deavey) Comerford, natives of Ireland, and early settlers of Schuylkill County, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Comer-



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ford, deceased, were the parents of the following children: Ellen, married David Walker, both deceased; Patrick, deceased; Rev. T. J., pastor of the Catholic Church at Archbald, Pa., for 30 years, died in 1924; John, lives retired in Los Angeles, Cal.; Alice, deceased; Andrew, lives retired in Los Angeles; Margaret, married Mathew Carey, lives in Scranton; Mary Collins; and Michael J., of the Comerford Amusement Company, lives at 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.

To Timothy H. and Mary (Comerford) Collins six children were born, as follows: John, lives in Los Angeles; Catherine, a graduate nurse, served in France throughout the World War, now stationed in the U. S. Hospital at Perryville, Md.; Thomas, associated with the Comerford Amusement Company, lives at 830 Madison Avenue, Scranton, is a World War veteran, having served in France with Company A the 103rd Engineers, 28th Division; Tessie, a teacher, lives in Scranton; May, married James L. Gibbons, of the Gibbons Coal Company, lives at 1530 Washington Avenue, Scranton; and Agnes, married Bert Allen, lives at 1313 Washington Avenue, Scranton.

Mr. Collins is a Democrat and a member of the Catholic church.

Thomas B. Rodham, M. D. A member of the medical profession for more than 30 years in Scranton, Doctor Rodham has offices at 1820 North Main Street, Providence. He was born in England and is the son of Jonathan and Isabella Simpson (Bell) Rodham.

Jonathan Rodham, deceased, was an early settler of Scranton. He was employed in the mines of Pennsylvania for many years and later served as a member of the local police department. He was a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church and belonged to the Knights of the Golden Eagle and Sons of St. George. Mr. Rodham died in September, 1917, and his wife died May 16, 1917. Both are buried in Chinchilla Cemetery, Pa. They were the parents of the following children: Thomas B., the subject of this sketch; Elizabeth, deceased; Margaret, lives in Scranton; Isabella, deceased; Joseph, lives in Scranton; William, lives in Scranton, is a veteran of the Spanish-American War; Jonathan, lives at Clarks Green, Pa.; Hugh, lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, married Christopher Haswell, lives at Clarks Green, Pa.; Wade and Robert, live in Scranton; Ethel, married Fred Walker, lives near Binghamton, N. Y.; and George, a World War veteran, lives in Scranton.

Thomas B. Rodham acquired his early education in the public schools and also attended Keystone Academy. He subsequently entered Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, where he completed his course and received his degree in Medicine in 1897. Since that date he has engaged in practice at Providence. During the World War he served on the Pennsylvania State Board of Examiners.

On July 19, 1897, Doctor Rodham married Miss Georgiana Lackey, who was born in Scranton, May 23, 1873, the daughter of Dr. Harper B.

and Gertrude (Hollister) Lackey. Doctor Lackey was born in Scranton and was prominent in this city as a physician and surgeon from 1867 until the time of his death in 1902. Mrs. Lackey lives in New York. Doctor and Mrs. Rodham have four children: Harper, born in October, 1898; Isabella, born July 4, 1900; Dorothy, born in 1910; and Ruth, born in October, 1913.

Doctor Rodham has served as a member of the Board of Health in Scranton and served on the School Board for six years.

Albert J. Ward is one of the most successful architects in the city of Scranton. He was born in this city, Sept. 16, 1882, and is the son of Frederick L. and Mary Alice (Hoffman) Ward.

Frederick L. Ward, retired, is a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at New Milford, April 5, 1854. He is of English descent, his paternal grandparents having been among the earliest settlers of Connecticut and his maternal ancestors pioneers of Long Island, N. Y. Deacon Ichabod Ward, great-great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, followed his son, William, from Connecticut in 1807, settling at New Milford, Pa., and they became the largest land owners in that section of the country. In 1806 William Ward, great-grandfather of our subject, removed from Litchfield County, Conn., to New Milford, Pa., with his wife. He later removed to Mt. Pleasant. In 1834 he was commissioned justice of the peace. For years he was the principal agent in that section of the sale of lands of the DuBois estates. He died in October, 1849, aged 64 years. He married Sally Briggs, of Roxbury, Conn. She died in August, 1872, aged 85 years. Charles H. Ward was born April 19, 1819, at New Milford, Pa. He attended Harvard University and Union College. He taught school for a number of years and later went to New York, where he became a member of the firm of Terret & Ward. He died in 1889 and is buried in New Milford, Pa. Frederick L. Ward, his son, was educated in the public schools of New Milford and attended St. Francis College, Loretto, Pa. He learned cabinet making and later was extensively interested in the lumber business at New Milford. In 1881 he removed to Scranton, where he was employed for many years as a salesman by G. W. Fritz. Mr. Ward is a Republican and has served as ward assessor for four years, as tax collector for three terms, and has also been county auditor. He was married Nov. 27, 1878, to Miss Mary Alice Hoffman, the daughter of Conrad and Barbara (Vail) Hoffman, natives of Germany. Their only child was Albert J., the subject of this sketch.

Albert J. Ward was educated in the public and high schools of Scranton. At an early age he manifested a keen interest in architectural drawing and he later studied as a student draftsman in the offices of several prominent architects in the city of Scranton for several years. He spent a period of six years in the employ of the International Correspondence Schools architectural department. In January, 1909, he entered the office

of R. W. Snyder in Scranton, forming a partnership of Snyder & Ward. This continued for about three years. At this time Mr. Snyder left the firm. From this time on he carried on the office under his own name and has been practicing architecture continuously since that time. During the World War he spent two years in war construction work. The class of buildings designed and constructed under his direction include many commercial and industrial buildings, also many institutional buildings. The Christian Science Church and the St. Stanislaus Church of Scranton, also. Another fine example of Mr. Ward's constructive genius is the Mid-Valley Hospital, which is situated in the Borough of Blakely. Numerous other structures throughout Lackawanna County are sufficient proof that he is among the most capable architects in the State of Pennsylvania. He has offices in the County Bank Building.

On June 21, 1911, Mr. Ward was united in marriage with Miss Hazel L. Litts, the daughter of William P. and Bertha (Atherton) Litts, the former a native of New Jersey and the latter of Summit, Pa. They are residents of Scranton, where Mr. Litts was prominent in politics for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have two daughters, Mary Elizabeth and Barbara Louise.

Mr. Ward is a member of the American Institute of Architects, the Scranton Society of Architects, the Engineering Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the Scranton Club, and the Elks Lodge, No. 123. He is a Republican.

Frank P. McLaughlin. Numbered among the solid and responsible business men of Scranton, Frank P. McLaughlin has long been connected with the coal industry. He was born at Olyphant, Pa., a son of John J. and Ann (Finnerty) McLaughlin.

John J. McLaughlin, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Prompton, and in early life entered the mines of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company at Honesdale. Later he removed to Scranton, where he continued as a miner until the time of his death, which occurred in 1914. He was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. His widow resides at Dunmore, where she was born. There are three children living in the McLaughlin family: Anna, married James Duffy, Erie Railroad Company, lives at Dunmore; John F., Hudson Coal Company, lives at Olyphant; and Frank P., the subject of this sketch.

Educated in the public schools of Olyphant, Frank P. McLaughlin entered the coal mines as a breaker boy. He later served as an inspector for the Hudson Coal Company for 18 years, and served in the same connection for the Pennsylvania Coal Company for two years, and the Archbald Coal Company for six years. In 1914 Mr. McLaughlin became associated with the Blanchard-Bunnell Coal Company, of Binghamton, N. Y., and Springfield, Mass. He was vice-president of this company in charge of the Scranton office. In 1917 he severed his business connections and

has since been a private coal operator and broker, with offices in the Scranton Life Building.

In 1914 Mr. McLaughlin was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth E. Daugherty, the daughter of James and Bridget Daugherty, both deceased. They were natives of Ireland and pioneer settlers of Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin have two children: Frank P., Jr., attends Baird-Taylor School, Scranton; and Mary, also attending Baird-Taylor School.

Mr. McLaughlin and his family are members of St. Peter's Cathedral and he belongs to the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree; Holy Name Society, Irish American Society, Elks Lodge, Abington Hills Country Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. In politics he votes an independent ticket.

Thomas B. McClintock.—The name of McClintock and flowers has been almost synonymous in Scranton for a period of over 40 years. Members of two generations of the family have been active in the floral business here, the firm being known as Thomas B. McClintock & Sons.

Thomas B. McClintock was born at Shermansdale, Pa., March 5, 1861. He settled in Scranton in 1884 and in that year organized the floral business, of which he is now head. He is a Republican, a member of the Green Ridge Baptist Church, of which he is deacon, and he is affiliated with the Green Ridge Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 597. His wife was born at Prattsburg, N. Y., Nov. 25, 1862. Mr. and Mrs. McClintock are the parents of the following children: Lee E.; Clarence Earl, mention of whom is made below; Marian, deceased; Ruth, married David Day, lives in Scranton; Hazel, deceased; and Ethel, married Mark H. Berryman, lives in Scranton. Thomas B. McClintock died Dec. 3, 1927, is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton.

Lee E. McClintock was born in Scranton, Feb. 25, 1888, a son of Thomas B. and Idell (Miller) McClintock. As a young man Lee E. McClintock entered his father's business, after completing his schooling at Dunmore. He became a member of the firm in 1924. The company's green houses are located at 1800 Jefferson Avenue, Dunmore, and hot houses at Waverly, Pa. They are making additions to their greenhouses at Waverly, Pa. The company has a large wholesale and retail trade in cut flowers.

On Dec. 3, 1914, Lee E. McClintock was married to Miss Frieda Weiskerger, who was born at Pittston, Pa., Jan. 8, 1891. To Mr. and Mrs. Lee E. McClintock have been born two children: Lee E., Jr., born Feb. 16, 1916; and Idell, born March 18, 1921. Mr. McClintock is a Republican and a member of the Green Ridge Baptist Church.

Clarence Earl McClintock was born in Scranton, Dec. 18, 1891. He was educated in this city, and throughout his business career has been associated with the floral business as a member of the firm since 1924.



THOMAS B. McCLINTOCK

He was married Oct. 27, 1914, to Miss Mary Secor, who was born at Dunmore, Pa., June 21, 1891. They have two sons: Clarence Earl, Jr., born Dec. 7, 1916; and Thomas B., II., born Feb. 26, 1922. Mr. McClintock is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church.

Paul B. Binder, broker, is among the representative young business men of Scranton, and a veteran of the World War. He was born at Pottstown, Pa., Aug. 1, 1893, the son of Mahlon M. and Rachael Rebecca (Schwenk) Binder.

Mahlon M. Binder, retired, is a native of Montgomery County, Pa., born in Pottsgrove Township, March 30, 1862. He was reared on a farm and educated in the district school. For many years Mr. Binder successfully engaged in the real estate business at Pottstown, where he now lives. He has served as tax collector for eight years and is prominent in local politics, being a life long Democrat. He holds membership in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge, P. O. S. of America, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. For many years he served as manager of the Pottstown Baseball Club. His wife was born in Pottstown. They have five sons: F. Brooke, druggist, lives in Pottstown; Harry M., electrical engineer, lives at Omaha, Neb.; Roy, real estate, lives at Pottstown; W. Eck, a World War veteran, general merchant, Black Hills, N. D.; and Paul B., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his education in the public schools of Pottstown, Paul B. Binder attended the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and later entered Columbia University. In 1914 he entered the employ of the Dupont Powder Company, of Carney's Point, N. J., as a supervisor in the manufacture of gun powder. Then followed his war career. After his discharge from the service he served as assistant superintendent of the Hydo United Tire Company of Pottstown, and in 1923 engaged in the coal business in Scranton. Two years later he became interested in the real estate business. He opened the allotment adjoining the new Scranton Country Club, which is known as Green Hills, and which was the first restricted residential district to be established in this section of the State. He also developed the allotment known as Reiffton, near Reading, Pa. Mr. Binder is president of Green Hills, Inc., and vice-president of the Reiffton Development Company. He has offices in the Chamber of Commerce Building.

In 1919 Mr. Binder married Miss Edna Kauffman, the daughter of James and Annie (Reiff) Kauffman, of Reiffton, Pa. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman are deceased and are buried at Reading. Mr. and Mrs. Binder have two children: James Kauffman, born in 1920; and Mary Ellen, born in 1922.

In March, 1917, Mr. Binder volunteered for service in the World War, and enlisted in the U. S. Army Ambulance Corps, attached to the French Army. He arrived in France in August, and throughout the war served

with the 68th Division, French Army. He took part in five major offensives: Aisne-Marne, Chateau Thierry, Second Battle of the Marne, Champagne, and Somme. He was discharged in April, 1919. Mr. Binder was awarded two citations, the Croix de Guerre with palm, which is the highest order of the Croix de Guerre, awarded for bravery by the French Army, and the Croix de Guerre with bronze star.

Mr. Binder is a Republican, a member of the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 660, Isaac Heister Lodge, Reading; Excelsior Chapter, R. A. M., No. 237; Creigh Council, R. and S. M. M., No. 16; Reading Commandery, K. T., No. 40; Reading Sovereign Consistory, thirty-second degree; and Rajah Temple. He is also a member of the Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Exchange Club, Pennsylvania Wheelmen, Country Club of Reading, Pa., and Elk View Country Club of Carbondale.

William A. Skinner, an attorney of Scranton, is recognized as one of the representative members of the bar of Lackawanna County. He was born at Starucca, Wayne County, Pa., June 23, 1875, and is the son of James and Josephine (Penn) Skinner.

James Skinner was born in England in 1847 and was among the early settlers of Wayne County, Pa. He was well known as a hotel proprietor in that section of the state for many years, and now lives retired in Susquehanna. His wife was born at Mount Upton, N. Y., in 1854, and is a member of the William Penn family. Their only child is William A., the subject of this sketch.

William A. Skinner obtained his early schooling in Wayne and Susquehanna counties, and studied law at the New York Law School, receiving an LL. B. certificate from the University of the State of New York in 1896. The following 27 years were spent in practice in Susquehanna County, Mr. Skinner also serving as attorney for the Erie Railroad Company at Susquehanna for 15 years. He came to Scranton in 1922 and was associated with James H. Torry, as counsel for the Hudson Coal Company. Since Jan. 1, 1926, Mr. Skinner has engaged in private practice, with offices in the Scranton Life Building.

Mr. Skinner is the author of the Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Law, which was published in Philadelphia in 1924. He is now general counsel for the Consolidated Workmen's Compensation Office, which was organized in January, 1927. This organization specializes in Workmen's Compensation service, and represents self-insuring employers in anthracite mining and other industries.

Mr. Skinner was married April 30, 1902, to Miss Grace M. Burrhus, of Susquehanna, Pa. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and belongs to the Century Club of Scranton. She is also secretary of the Day Nursery. To Mr. and Mrs. Skinner two sons were born: Edward, who died at the age of 16 years; and Burrhus Fred-

eric, a graduate of Hamilton College in the class of 1926. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternities and received special honors in Hamilton for English literature. He and his father have just published for the anthracite operators a Digest of the Decision of the Anthracite Conciliation Board.

Mr. Skinner is an active member of the Lackawanna, Pennsylvania State and American Bar Associations. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Society of New York and New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, a member and trustee of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Country Club of Scranton, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Kiwanis Club. He is a director of the Scranton-Lackawanna Trust Company.

Homer D. Carey. A worthy representative of the dignity of the law and a citizen of the highest character, Homer D. Carey is numbered among the able attorneys practicing at the bar of Lackawanna County, with offices in the Mears Building, Scranton. He was born in Greenfield Township, Lackawanna County, Dec. 3, 1873, and is a son of Lehman and Martha J. Carey.

Lehman Carey, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born in Luzerne County, March 28, 1824. He became a successful farmer of Greenfield Township, Lackawanna County. On April 5, 1866, Mr. Carey married Martha J. Carey, of Scott Township, and the daughter of Joseph Carey, a well known pioneer of Scranton and later resident of Scott Township. The original homestead in Scranton was located on the present site of the Standard Brewing Company. Both Mr. and Mrs. Carey are deceased.

Homer D. Carey attended the public schools of Scott Township, Blakely High School and Woods Business College, and in 1893 entered the Dickson School of Law and was graduated therefrom in 1896, receiving the degree of LL. B. He immediately entered upon the practice of his profession in Scranton, where he has continued to the present time. He is attorney for and director of the First National Bank of Jermyn, and attorney for and director of Central Loan and Investment Company of Scranton. Mr. Carey has been greatly interested in the cut glass manufacturing business and before the World War was one of the organizers of the Laurel Cut Glass Company of Jermyn, of which he served as president. He was for several years president of the National Association of Cut Glass Manufacturers, which composed nearly all of the cut glass manufacturers of the United States and Canada.

On April 23, 1901, Mr. Carey was married to Miss Marie Katherine Lins, of Carlisle, Pa. They have no children.

Mr. Carey is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and belongs to the local and State Bar Associations, Elks Lodge and Elkview Country Club. Besides his residence in Jermyn, he also owns a summer

cottage at Crystal Lake, where he maintains flower gardens and spends much time fishing and golf playing.

He enjoys a large law practice and has been engaged in much of the important litigation of this county. Among the interesting law cases in Lackawanna County which have been tried by Mr. Carey may be mentioned the Forschner-Spivak case of 1912. Both men were merchants of Jermyn and the case was one of assault and battery. During the trial Mr. Carey, attorney for Mr. Forschner, disclosed the fact that the scar carried by Mr. Spivak was not a genuine one when he stepped to the witness stand and with one stroke wiped the supposed scar from the forehead of the confused Mr. Spivak, thus winning the case for his client. This case won newspaper discussion throughout the country at the time.

John Kelly, deceased, was one of the most prominent men of Minooka, where he was president of the Minooka State Bank. He was born in this city, Feb. 26, 1875, the son of John and Bridget (Gibbons) Kelly.

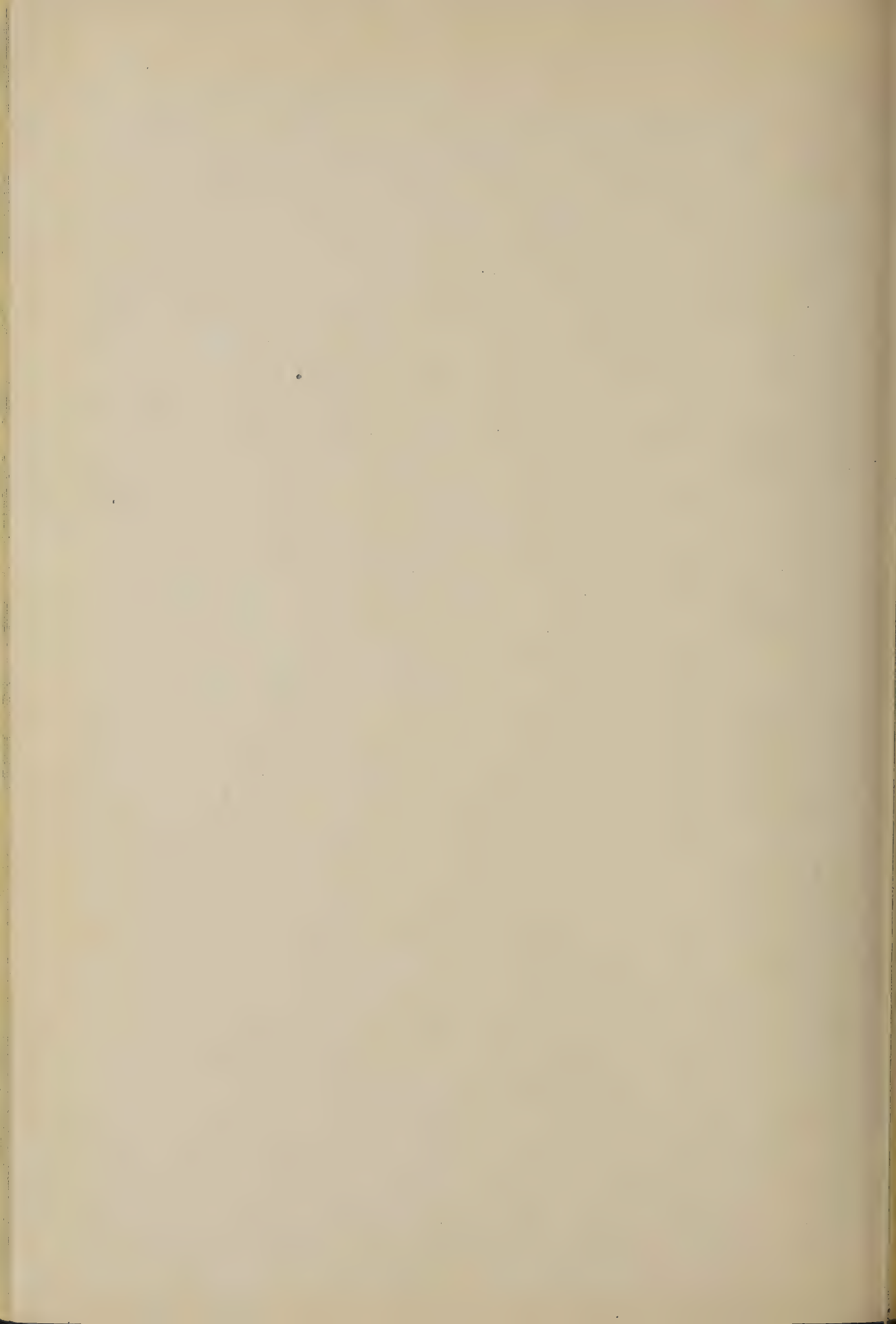
John Kelly, Sr., deceased, was a native of County Mayo, Ireland. He was among the first settlers of Minooka, where he was well known as a building contractor. He was also active in local politics and was a Democrat. Mr. Kelly died in January, 1908, and his wife, also a native of Ireland, died in April, 1908. They are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery. To Mr. and Mrs. Kelly the following children were born: Michael, lives at Minooka; Anna, married Charles Moore, lived at Taylor, Pa., is now deceased; Mary, married Henry Coyle, lives at Bangor, Pa.; Sarah, lives at Minooka; Rev. P. Joseph, died in 1907, was assistant pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Scranton; John, the subject of this sketch; Ellen, married Michael Gilroy, lives at Avoca, Pa.; Rev. Francis, assistant pastor of the Catholic Church at Allentown, Pa.; William, lives at South Scranton; and Laura, deceased.

John Kelly attended the public schools of Minooka, and spent his boyhood in the coal mines of this section. In 1902 he became interested in the mercantile business with C. W. Gallagher, who is deceased. Mr. Kelly became one of the prosperous merchants of the city, and at the time of his death, Aug. 18, 1926, was serving as president of the Minooka State Bank.

On Oct. 14, 1908, Mr. Kelly was united in marriage with Miss Mary McAndrew, of Wayne County, Pa., the daughter of Patrick and Sarah (McHale) McAndrew. Mr. McAndrew was born in Ireland and was an early settler of Wayne County, where he engaged in general farming and stock raising. He later lived in Scranton where he was employed by the Delaware Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company. He died Jan. 29, 1917, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. His widow lives at 1512 Pittston Avenue, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. McAndrew had the following children: Mary Kelly; James, lives at Port Jervis, N. Y.; Catherine, married Daniel Vaughan, lives in Scranton; Helen, the widow of Martin



JOHN KELLY



Cusick, lives in Scranton; John, lives in Scranton; Joseph, lives in the West; and Edward, deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Kelly were born six children: Joseph and John, students at the University of Toronto, Canada; James attends St. John's High School, Minooka; Agnes, Thomas, and Paul, students.

Mr. Kelly was a Republican, a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, and was identified with the social and civic life of the city.

The Minooka State Bank was organized Sept. 8, 1924, with the following officers: John Kelly, president; Paul Shorten, vice-president; P. J. Conaboy, vice-president; W. P. Stokes, cashier; and John D. Price, secretary. The directors were: P. J. Conaboy, Martin Langan, Paul Shorten, Samuel Mahedy, P. J. Distin, John J. Coyne, who died Aug. 16, 1927; Benjamin M. Jennings, Dr. R. J. Garvey, John McLane, John Kelly, deceased; P. J. Hart, William Buckley, James J. Powell, Samuel Sommer, Henry Kuchinski, Joseph Potoski, and John D. Price.

Joseph E. Ratajski, M. D., of Scranton, ranks high among the leading specialists of Lackawanna County. He was born in Poland, Feb. 28, 1878, and is a son of Valentine and Joseph Ratajski.

In 1881 Joseph Ratajski emigrated to the United States from Poland and settled in Philadelphia. He came to the coal regions of Lackawanna County four years later, where he was employed at his trade as a shoemaker. He made a return trip to his native land for his family after several years, and upon his return to Pennsylvania located at Duryea, where he spent the remainder of his life as a merchant. He died in 1925 at the age of 87 years. His widow resides at Duryea. To Mr. and Mrs. Ratajski 16 children were born, of whom Joseph E., the subject of this sketch, was the sixth in order of birth.

Joseph E. Ratajski was eight years old when he came to the United States with his parents. While attending the public schools at Duryea he worked in the mines as a breaker boy. In 1901 he attended the Stroudsburg State Normal School and spent the following year as a teacher at Womelsdorf, Pa. In 1903 he entered Bucknell College, and two years later took up the study of medicine at the Baltimore Medical College, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1909. Doctor Ratajski spent the following ten years in general practice at Mount Carmel, Pa., and during 1919 took post graduate work in New York and Chicago, locating in Scranton in 1920. He is a specialist in the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose, and throat, and has offices in the Farr Building.

On June 17, 1914, Doctor Ratajski was married to Miss Mary Czechowicz, of Scranton, and they have three children: Joseph, Raymond, and Helen, all at home.

Doctor Ratajski served as president of the Northumberland County Medical Society in 1916, and he now takes a prominent part in the affairs

of the Lackawanna County Medical Society. He is a Republican, a member of the Polish National Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

N. H. Cowdrey, an attorney of Scranton, who is recognized as one of the representative members of the bar of Lackawanna County, is a native of New Jersey. He was born at Hohokus, Sept. 1, 1876, the son of N. A. and Jane (Hartley) Cowdrey.

N. A. Cowdrey, deceased, was a prominent attorney of New Haven, Conn. He was born at East Haddam, Conn., in 1818, and died in 1883. Mr. Cowdrey was a graduate of the Yale Law College at New Haven, and engaged in practice in New York City for many years. His wife died in 1893, at the age of 52 years. They were the parents of five children, one of whom is deceased.

N. H. Cowdrey obtained his preparatory education in the public schools of New York City. He later attended Drisler School, and in 1894 entered Yale University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1898. He then enlisted for service during the Spanish-American War and was assigned to the First Battalion, Connecticut Artillery. He was discharged Oct. 1, 1898. Mr. Cowdrey then became associated with the Western National Bank and the Morton Trust Company of New York, and in 1910 came to Scranton as treasurer of the Title Guarantee and Surety Company. He took up the study of law in 1915 in the offices of Warren, Knapp, O'Malley & Hill, Scranton, and was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in 1918. He has since engaged in the practice of his profession with offices in the Connell Building. He is a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association, Pennsylvania State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association.

Mr. Cowdrey was married April 28, 1909, to Miss Dorothy Warren, of Scranton, the daughter of Everett and Ellen (Willard) Warren. Mr. Warren, a prominent attorney of Scranton, died in 1916. His widow lives at 620 Madison Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Cowdrey have two daughters, Dorothy and Jane.

Politically Mr. Cowdrey is identified with the Republican party, and he holds membership in the Presbyterian Church.

W. J. Dooley. A widely known citizen and representative business man of Scranton is W. J. Dooley, who is assistant treasurer of the Anthracite Trust Company. He was born in Scranton, Dec. 3, 1886, and is the son of James J. and Mary (Healey) Dooley.

James J. Dooley was born at Dunmore, Pa., in 1856, and has spent his entire life in Lackawanna County. He has recently retired after 48 years of continuous service in the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad. His wife, born in Scranton, died March 6, 1913, and is buried in Mt. Car-

mel Cemetery. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dooley: W. J., the subject of this sketch; Mary, a graduate nurse, now in charge of the Dunmore Baby Welfare Association; and Frank, engaged in the automobile business in Scranton.

W. J. Dooley attended the Sisters' I. H. M. School of Scranton and when 13 years of age gave up school and entered the employ of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Democratic Bureau. He spent ten years in this company's employ and began his banking career in the employ of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, Scranton. Through night study and close attention to business, Mr. Dooley made rapid progress in banking circles and has held his present responsible position since 1918. Mr. Dooley has served as vice-president of the American Institute of Banking.

On June 30, 1908, Mr. Dooley married Miss Winifred Loretta Murray of Dunmore. She is a graduate of Dunmore High School and Stroudsburg State Normal School, and at the time of her marriage was principal of Dunmore School No. 11. Mr. and Mrs. Dooley have three children: Mary Louise, Michael J., and Jeanne. Mary Louise Dooley was graduated from Marywood Seminary, Scranton, in 1927.

Mr. Dooley is a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Dunmore, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree; Elks Lodge, Chamber of Commerce, and is president of St. Mary's Holy Name Society. Mr. Dooley is a citizen of responsibility and prominence.

C. G. Chappell, realtor, ranks high among the successful young men of Scranton. He was born in this city, July 15, 1897, and is a son of Stephen and Cora (Thomas) Chappell.

Stephen Chappell, who conducts a general mercantile business at Dickson City, is a highly esteemed citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in Wales in 1861 and came to this country when a young man of 20 years. Mr. Chappell has been successful in all his business undertakings. Mr. and Mrs. Chappell have two sons: S. LeRoy, lives in Scranton, where he is an accountant for the Scranton Electric Construction Company; and C. G., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his schooling in 1915, C. G. Chappell became interested in the general mercantile business at Taylor, Pa., as a member of the firm of Chappell & Burrows. From 1917 until 1920 he was connected with the advertising department of the Scranton Republican, and in 1920 became interested in the real estate business, with offices in the Miller Building. Mr. Chappell is also a developing realtor and has erected 22 residences in the city. He has been most successful and owns much valuable real estate in the city. He is a director of the Lackawanna Building & Loan Company, secretary of the Rosemont Realty Company, and prominent in the affairs of the Scranton Real Estate Board.

In April, 1919, Mr. Chappell married Miss Gertrude Leyshon, of Scranton, the daughter of William and Emma (Christian) Leyshon. Mr.

Leyshon, deceased, was connected for many years with the Williams & McNulty Furniture Company of Scranton. His widow resides in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Chappell had a daughter, Corabelle, who is deceased.

Mr. Chappell is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Elks Lodge, and Junior Order of American Mechanics. He is a charter member of the Lions Club of Scranton, of which he served as vice-president during the year of 1926. Mr. Chappell is now serving as one of five committeemen on the Education Committee of the Pennsylvania Real Estate Association.

William P. Kennedy, D. D. S.—One of the foremost dentists of Lackawanna County is Dr. William P. Kennedy of Scranton, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Peekskill, N. Y., June 30, 1888, the son of Hugh and Margaret (Riley) Kennedy.

Hugh Kennedy was a native of Ireland and his wife was born in Liverpool, England. In early life he emigrated to the United States and settled at Peekskill, N. Y., where he was in the employ of the New York Central Railroad as an engineer for many years. He died in 1920 and his wife died in 1901. Both are buried at Peekskill. They were the parents of the following children: Mamie, deceased; John, electrical contractor, lives at Newark, N. J.; William P., the subject of this sketch; Margaret, deceased; and Catherine, married John Clarkin, lives at Peekskill, N. Y. Mr. Kennedy was a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and belonged to the Knights of Columbus and Ancient Order of Hibernians.

William P. Kennedy was educated in the public schools of Peekskill and came to Scranton in 1905. He was graduated from the dental college, University of Pittsburgh, in 1918. He served during the World War as a first lieutenant and was attached to the dental corps, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. He was discharged from service Dec. 17, 1918, and upon his return to Scranton engaged in practice with Dr. D. S. Gardner. Since 1919 Dr. Kennedy has engaged in private practice with offices in the Davis-Bliss Building, Adams and Spruce Streets.

On April 19, 1922, Dr. Kennedy was united in marriage with Miss Esther K. Roche, the daughter of Hon. John E. and Maria (Campbell) Roche. Mr. Roche, who lives retired in Scranton, is a prominent Democrat of Lackawanna County, having served as a member of the Pennsylvania State legislature from the Pine Brook district. His wife died in 1913 and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery. There were three children in the Roche family: Genevieve, a graduate nurse, lives in Scranton; Rose, married James Melvin, lives at Detroit, Mich.; and Esther Kennedy. To Dr. and Mrs. Kennedy have been born two children: William P., Jr., born Jan. 28, 1925, and Mary, born April 28, 1927.

Dr. Kennedy is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society. He is also identified with the American, Pennsylvania State, Scranton District and



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Susquehanna Dental societies. He holds the commission of captain in the Pennsylvania National Guard and is a member of the 109th Infantry, which was formerly the 13th Regiment.

Dr. Kennedy is a director of the Lackawanna Building, Savings & Loan Association and a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Watson B. Bunnell. Numbered among the successful business men of Scranton is Mr. Bunnell, commercial photographer, who has offices at 116 Adams Street. He is a native of Pennsylvania, born at Meshoppen, Wyoming County, April 23, 1871, a son of Albert and Harriet (Overfield) Bunnell.

Albert Bunnell, deceased, was a prosperous farmer and stockman of Wyoming County, where he owned and operated 156 acres of land. Both he and his wife were natives of Meshoppen and are now deceased. They were the parents of six children: Byron O., lives at Hillside, N. J.; Frederick D., lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; Watson B., the subject of this sketch; Bradley S., a farmer, lives at Tunkhannock, Pa.; Vieve, married Ernest Love, farmer, lives at Coshocton, Pa.; and Lydia, married Addison Mowry, farmer, lives at Coshocton. Mr. Bunnell was a Republican.

Watson B. Bunnell obtained his education in the public schools of Meshoppen, and attended Laceyville High School and Woods Business College, Scranton. He began his business career as a bookkeeper in the employ of the Everhart Brass Works, where he remained for 13 years. He was with the D. L. & W. Railroad as official photographer for 14 years. He then engaged in commercial photography for himself in 1919.

On Nov. 28, 1895, Mr. Bunnell was united in marriage with Miss Ella Cobb, of Clifford, Pa., the daughter of James Cobb, who is deceased. They have no children.

Politically, Mr. Bunnell is identified with the Republican party. He belongs to the Green Ridge Club, Kiwanis Club and Chamber of Commerce.

Edward A. Chittenden, who is agent for the American Railway Express Company in Scranton, was born at Stockport, Columbia County, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1874, the son of Edward Cooper and Catherine (Leake) Chittenden.

Edward Cooper Chittenden was born at Stockport, N. Y., in 1840, and died in 1921. He was the son of Robert Chittenden, who was born at Canaan, Conn., and who became a prominent paper manufacturer of Chittenden Falls, N. Y. He was the son of George Chittenden, of Guilford, Conn., a direct descendant of William Chittenden, who was born in England, and came to the United States in 1639, locating at Guilford, Conn., where he reared a family of seven children. His son, Thomas, was elected governor of Vermont for 18 successive terms. George Chittenden, great-grandfather of Edward A., was the first paper manufacturer

of New York, building his mill on the present site of Chittenden Falls. He manufactured the bank note paper for the American Bank Note Company of New York. The family is among the oldest and most prominent in that state.

Edward Cooper Chittenden was married in 1864 to Miss Catherine Leake, who was born in New York City in 1844, and died at Stockport in 1880. Mr. and Mrs. Chittenden are buried at Hudson, N. Y. They were the parents of four children: Charles, deceased; Anna, married Edwin F. Flinn, lives at Floral Park, L. I.; Edward A., the subject of this sketch; and Thomas Francis, lives at Newark, N. J.

Edward A. Chittenden spent his boyhood in New York and attended the district schools. He was also tutored by an aunt, Elizabeth Chittenden, who was a graduate of Clinton College. Mr. Chittenden has been connected with the American Railway Express Company since 1893, starting as a clerk in the company's office at 138th Street, New York City. He also conducted a general trucking business in New York. In 1917 he was transferred to Allentown, Pa., by the company as agent at that place, and in November, 1918, came to Scranton.

On Feb. 22, 1900, Mr. Chittenden married Mrs. Frances (Hawkes) Romain, of New York. They have no children. By her first marriage Mrs. Chittenden had a son, Edgar W. Romain, who is deceased.

Mr. Chittenden is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge. He is active in the affairs of the Rotary Club of Scranton, and is a citizen of material worth.

B. Fenton Tinkham. For many years Mr. Tinkham has been a prominent citizen of Scranton, and a leading member of the bar of Lackawanna County. He was born at Waverly, Pa., Nov. 14, 1869, a son of Charles I. and Caroline (St. Amand) Tinkham.

Charles I. Tinkham, who lives retired at Fleetville, in Lackawanna County, is a native of Waverly. Throughout his active career he engaged in farming and stock raising and owned 140 acres of land near Waverly. He is a Republican, and a member of the Methodist Church. His wife died Jan. 1, 1906, and is buried in Hickory Grove Cemetery, Waverly. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Tinkham: B. Fenton, the subject of this sketch; and Flora, married A. W. Marvin, a teacher, lives at Dalton, Pa.

B. Fenton Tinkham made the best of his early advantages in the grammar and high schools of Waverly and later attended Mansfield State Normal School. He prepared for his profession in the law offices of Edward Miles, Scranton, and was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County, May 28, 1905. He has since devoted all his time to his profession as a lawyer, and has offices in the Mears Building.

On Aug. 12, 1898, Mr. Tinkham married Miss Louesa S. Silvius, who was born at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., June 28, 1871, the daughter of George D.

and Minerva (Polk) Silviu. Mr. Silviu, who died in April, 1924, was a Civil War veteran. He was a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife died in 1900 and they are buried in Wilkes-Barre. Mr. and Mrs. Tinkham were the parents of a daughter, Ruth, who died in infancy. Their adopted daughter, Ruth, attends Goucher College and is a member of the class of 1928.

Mr. Tinkham is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, of which he was a trustee, and he belongs to the Masonic Lodge.

The following is an early history of the Tinkham family: Ephreim Tinkham, or "Tincom", born in 1616 near Ashburton, 15 miles from Plymouth, England. Came under orders to Timothy Hatherly to Plymouth, Mass., in April, 1630. He afterwards settled at Middleboro, Mass., as one of the first three in that town, and held many prominent public offices. He married Mary Brown, daughter of Peter Brown, of Mayflower, in 1647. She was born in Plymouth, Mass., in 1627, and died in Middleboro in 1685. Ephreim also died in the same town in May, 1685, and both their gravestones can be seen now. They had eight children, of whom Ephreim was oldest.

Ephreim Tinkham was born in Plymouth, Aug. 5, 1649, and died in Middleboro, Oct. 13, 1714. He married Esther Wright in 1678. He was town treasurer from 1696 until 1711. They had six children, all born in Middleboro, of whom John was oldest.

John Tinkham was born in Middleboro, Aug. 23, 1680. He died April 14, 1766. He married Hannah Howland, Dec. 11, 1716. She was the daughter of Isaac, son of John Howland, of Mayflower, and was born Oct. 6, 1694, and died March 25, 1793. John was selectman of Middleboro from 1728 until 1732. They had ten children, of whom Amos was sixth.

Amos Tinkham was born in Middleboro, July 10, 1729, and died Feb. 13, 1820. Amos was a Revolutionary soldier, and his brother, Abaishai, was a captain in the Revolutionary army. Also his brother, Seth, was killed at the capture of Louisburg, N. S., in the French and Indian War. Amos married his cousin, Sarah Tinkham, Feb. 27, 1752. They had seven children born in Middleboro, of whom Amos, Jr., was fourth.

Amos Tinkham, Jr., was born May 21, 1765. He married Susan Thomas in Middleboro, Nov. 5, 1785, and immediately moved to Vermont, near Windsor. They had eight children, of whom Nemehiah was fifth.

Nemehiah Tinkham was born Oct. 7, 1793, at Windsor, Vt., and died Oct. 4, 1869, at Abington, Pa. He married Catherine Clark in Kingston, Pa. They had nine children, of whom James was sixth and the only son. James Tinkham was born at Abington, Pa., March 13, 1826. He married Jane Leach, Sept. 25, 1845, in Chinchilla, Pa. They had four children, of whom Charles I. was second. Charles I. Tinkham is the father of B. Fenton Tinkham.

Harold Gwynne is one of the younger men who have achieved success in the retail coal business in Scranton, and he is a veteran of the World War. He was born in Scranton, April 16, 1896, the son of Thomas J. and Mary (Jermyn) Gwynne.

Thomas J. Gwynne was born in Wales. At an early age he came to the United States and settled in Scranton where he was identified with the coal industry. For 30 years he served as assistant foreman of the Glen Alden Coal Company. He died May 9, 1917, and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. Gwynne was a Republican and one of the organizers of the Puritan Congregational Church. He also belonged to the Knights of Pythias. His widow lives at 1713 North Sumner Avenue, Scranton.

Harold Gwynne received his education in the public schools of Scranton. He volunteered for service in the World War in June, 1917, and was sent to Camp Meade, Md., where he was assigned to Battery A, 319th Field Artillery. He served in France with the rank of sergeant and was discharged from Camp Mills, N. Y., June 16, 1919. Upon his return to Scranton Mr. Gwynne became connected with the coal and ice business which was owned by Mrs. A. W. Gwynne. He purchased her interest in 1924. He is also interested in the trucking business and operates a fleet of seven trucks and five teams.

Mr. Gwynne was married April 28, 1923, to Miss Edna Armbrust, who was born in Scranton, May 30, 1897, the daughter of Charles and Emma (Buntz) Armbrust of Scranton. They have a son, Robert Harold, born May 26, 1926.

Mr. Gwynne is a member of the North Main Baptist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and American Legion. He is a Republican.

John J. Mullen. A substantial citizen and enterprising and dependable business man of Minooka is found in John J. Mullen, who is proprietor of Mullen's Pharmacy at 3015 Berney Avenue. He was born in this city, Nov. 23, 1873, the son of Peter and Bridget (Powell) Mullen.

Peter Mullen and his wife, natives of Ireland, are now deceased. They were early settlers of Pennsylvania and Mr. Mullen became well known as a building contractor at Minooka. He was a life long Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. He died Nov. 23, 1917, and his wife died in 1900. They are buried in St. Joseph's cemetery. To Mr. and Mrs. Mullen the following children were born: Mary E., the widow of James McDonough, lives in Scranton; Frank, retired, lives at Minooka; James, deceased; John J., the subject of this sketch; Anna, married Patrick Murphy, lives in Hyde Park, Scranton; and Peter.

John J. Mullen attended the public schools of Minooka, was graduated from Mansfield State Normal School in 1896, and later entered the College of Pharmacy in Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in



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1906. He spent the following two years as a pharmacist in Philadelphia, and in 1908 established his present business in Minooka.

On Aug. 2, 1913, Mr. Mullen was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Mahon, the daughter of Patrick and Bridget (Colherty) Mahon, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Scranton. Mr. Mahon died in 1913 and his wife died in 1905. They are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. They were the parents of the following children: Mary, a teacher, lives in Scranton; Elizabeth Mullen; Lelia, a teacher, lives in Scranton; James; Bernard, a World War veteran, having served with the U. S. Navy; Rev. Vincent J., who was ordained in 1922, is pastor of the Green Ridge Catholic Church; and Julia, deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Mullen have been born two children: Peter, born June 29, 1914; and Jule, born Oct. 6, 1918.

Mr. Mullen is a Democrat and served as postmaster of Minooka for three years. He holds membership in St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Herbert M. Nicholas, who is identified with the Lackawanna State Forest District as district forester, is well known in Scranton. He was born at York, Pa., Nov. 27, 1900, the son of B. C. and Annie (Heiland) Nicholas.

B. C. Nicholas, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was prominent in York for many years and served as city assessor for a period of 12 years. He was a life long Republican and a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Nicholas died Feb. 12, 1925, and his widow resides at York. They had four sons: Maj. Richard U., of the Engineer Corps, U. S. Army, stationed with the Eighth Army Corps Headquarters, San Antonio, Tex., is a graduate of West Point Academy, class of 1913, and during the World War was second in command of the engineers training school at Petersburg, S. C.; Paul R., who is with the Pennsylvania State Highway Department at Erie, Pa., is a World War veteran, having served in France; Herbert M., the subject of this sketch; and Chester M., who is connected with the Edison Light & Power Company at York, Pa.

Herbert M. Nicholas spent his boyhood at York, Pa., and in 1918 was graduated from York High School. He then entered the Pennsylvania State School of Forestry and following his graduation in 1921 was appointed assistant district forester of Michaux Forest District at Caledonia Park in Franklin County, Pa. He came to Scranton in July, 1927, as district forester of the Lackawanna State Forest District. His duties extend over five counties and consist mainly in fire prevention work. Four observation towers are maintained in this district and fire losses have been cut in two during the past several years through this systematic service. During 1927 a million trees were planted in the district and were donated by the state of Pennsylvania. Many private individuals are also

interested in this great work and devote their time and funds to its cause. The district offices are located at 316 Washington Avenue.

In December, 1920, Mr. Nicholas was united in marriage with Miss Mildred Bowers, of York, Pa., born Jan. 18, 1900, the daughter of Robert W. and Annie (Amig) Bowers. Mr. Bowers died Feb. 14, 1925, and his widow lives at York. They were the parents of the following children: Robert C., architect, Pittsburgh, is a World War veteran; Linda, married J. Edgar Small, attorney, York, Pa.; and Mildred Nicholas. To Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas have been born two children: Doris, born Sept. 12, 1921; and Herbert M., Jr., born Sept. 5, 1927.

Mr. Nicholas is identified with the Pennsylvania Academy of Science, the American Foresters Association, the Pennsylvania Sportsmen Association, and the Scranton Wild Flower Club. He is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He has a wide acquaintance in the city and is one of the dependable young men of the community.

Philip C. Connolly, deceased, was a prominent merchant of Minooka and a member of one of the oldest and best known families of Lackawanna County. He was born in Scranton, Oct. 17, 1850, and died Oct. 19, 1919. Mr. Connolly was the son of Owen and Catherine (Boland) Connolly.

Owen Connolly emigrated to this country from Ireland in 1861 and settled at Hawley, Pa., later removing to Minooka, where he engaged in the grocery business. He died in May, 1921, and his wife died in 1892. They are buried in St. Joseph's cemetery, Minooka. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Connolly. Mariah, the widow of F. A. Kane, lives at Minooka; Philip C., the subject of this sketch; and Judge John F., who is deceased.

Philip C. Connolly received his education in the public schools of Scranton. Throughout his business career he engaged in the grocery business at Minooka, and was among the prosperous merchants of the city.

On Nov. 23, 1887, Mr. Connolly was married to Miss Mary E. Campbell, who was born in Scranton, July 30, 1857, the daughter of Robert and Mary (Billington) Campbell, former a native of Scotland and the latter of England. Mr. Campbell served throughout the Civil War as a member of Company B, 13th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was twice wounded in action. He died March 2, 1902, and his wife died in June, 1908. They are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Campbell the following children were born: Elizabeth, married Alexander Connell, both deceased; Agnes, died in infancy; Robert, lives at Green Ridge, Pa.; John and George, deceased; Mary E. Connolly; Jane, lives in Scranton; Everett, retired, lives at 815 Jefferson Street, Scranton; and Jessie, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Connolly were the parents of seven children, as follows: 1. Philip W., born Oct. 25, 1888, lives in Scranton, married Miss Mary Daley, of Minooka. 2. Mary, born Feb. 3, 1890, married on Oct. 6, 1920, to John P. Schofield, manager of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, Scranton, and they have two children, Muriel, born Sept. 18, 1921; and John, born Oct. 24, 1926. 3. John F., born July 20, 1893, enlisted for service during the World War, May 28, 1918, and sent to Camp Lee, Va. He sailed for France July 9, 1918, as a member of Company B, 316th Infantry, and died during the influenza epidemic, Sept. 30, 1918. His body was returned to the United States for burial, May 30, 1921, and is buried in Minooka. He was the first soldier from Minooka to die in service and the American Legion Post No. 568 is named Connolly Post in his honor. 4. Catherine, born April 19, 1895, lives at home. 5. Jane, twin sister of Catherine, married on Sept. 12, 1916, to Joseph Lonsdorff, lives at Minooka, and they have three children: Joseph, born July 28, 1917; John, born in January, 1920; and Catherine Marie, born Feb. 2, 1922. 6. Edwin Eugene, born Aug. 3, 1897, died Aug. 31, 1897. 7. Edwin Robert, born Aug. 11, 1899, died Oct. 14, 1899.

Mr. Connolly was a Democrat, a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and belonged to the Holy Name Society. He was active in local politics, having served as township supervisor and tax collector. He was one of the city's most esteemed citizens.

William J. Finnerty, M. D. Born and reared in Scranton, Doctor Finnerty now ranks among the city's most prominent and successful young physicians. He was born Aug. 28, 1897, a son of William J. and Anna F. (Carr) Finnerty.

William J. Finnerty, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Pittston and in early life located in Scranton, where he was associated with the Gibbons Coal Company for many years. He was killed in an automobile accident, April 2, 1926, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. His widow lives in this city, where she was born. To Mr. and Mrs. Finnerty were born four children: William J., the subject of this sketch; E. Harold, a dental student at the University of Pennsylvania, served throughout the World War with the Student Army Training Corps; Mary A., a teacher in School No. 4, Hyde Park, Scranton; and Anna, a teacher, lives in Scranton.

William J. Finnerty attended St. John's High School and then completed a commercial course at St. Thomas College, Scranton. He was graduated from Aquinas College, Columbus, Ohio, in 1919, and upon his return to Scranton entered St. Thomas College, where he prepared for the study of medicine. He was graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1925, and served as an interne in the Pittston Hospital and the State Hospital, Scranton. He engaged in private practice in this city on Sept. 1, 1926, with offices at 1411 Pittston Avenue, where he has

a general practice. Doctor Finnerty is a member of the staffs of the West Side Hospital and the St. Mary Keller Memorial Hospital. He is prominent as a speaker on health subjects and has frequently addressed the leading social and civic organizations of the city. He is also identified with the County, State and National Medical Associations.

Doctor Finnerty is a Republican, a member of St. John's Catholic Church, and belongs to Holy Name Society, and Phi Rho Sigma medical fraternity. He is not married.

John W. Turko.—The undertaking establishment of John W. Turko, Olyphant, is one of the best equipped funeral homes in Lackawanna County, and he is recognized as an expert funeral director. He was born in Zawadka Rymanawska, Austria, Feb. 8, 1891, the son of William and Mary (Petenko) Turko.

William Turko, deceased, was a native of Austria. He came to the United States about 1895 and for a time was employed in the Ontario mine of Peckville. Later he engaged in business for a short time at Eynon, near Archbald. He then became interested in the hotel business at Olyphant and was thus engaged for more than 30 years. Mr. Turko was prominent in local and state and national politics. He was an active member of the Greek Catholic Church and was always a leader of Fraternal Catholic Organizations. Mr. Turko died Sept. 8, 1918, and his wife died Sept. 4, 1915. Both are buried in the Greek Catholic Cemetery, Peckville. Mr. and Mrs. Turko were the parents of the following children: Nancy, Amelia and Michael, died in infancy; John W., the subject of this sketch; William J., born Feb. 4, 1906; Frank W., born Feb. 16, 1908; and Andrew, born Aug. 10, 1909.

John W. Turko attended the public schools of Olyphant and Eckels' Embalming College of Philadelphia. Before taking up the study of his profession he was employed in the mines of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company for seven years. He served throughout the World War at Camp Meade, Md., with the rank of First Sergeant. Since 1923 Mr. Turko established his present business at Olyphant and has recently moved to his new location at 317 North Willow Street, at the corner of Church & Willow streets.

On May 13, 1922, Mr. Turko was united in marriage with Miss Tillie Sanko of Jessup. They have three daughters, Mildred, Joanna May, and Mary Irene.

Mr. Turko is First Vice President of the Slavonic Republican League of Lackawanna County, was Vice President of the Central Republican Club of Olyphant, of which he is now serving as President. In 1927 he was elected a member of the Board of Agents of the Olyphant Electric Plant and in 1928 he was elected President of the Board of Agents of the Municipal Electric Plant of Olyphant. He is a Director of the Mid-Valley



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Building & Loan Association of Lackawanna County. He is also Vice President of the Professional and Business Mens Club of Olyphant.

Mr. Turko is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles at Scranton and holds membership in the Raymond Henry Post, No. 327, American Legion at Olyphant and is a charter member of the Forty and Eight at Scranton. He is also a member of the Olyphant Cheer Club, an organization devoted to charitable work at Olyphant, and is a member of the Concord Society, of which he is a Director. He also belongs to the Olyphant Fire Department. He is a member of the St. Cyril & Methodius Greek Congregational Church at Olyphant and has served as a member of the Church Council for the past seven years.

Mr. Turko may well be classified as a self-made man and since the death of his parents, the responsibility of directing the education of his younger brothers has devolved upon him. They have all received good educations in the Olyphant High School, the Johnson High School and Mechanical Trade School of Scranton.

Mary Coyne, who has been identified with the public schools of Minooka for the past 20 years, is well known in this section and is a member of one of the oldest families of Lackawanna County. She was born at Minooka, the daughter of Michael and Mary (Donahue) Coyne.

Michael Coyne, deceased, was a prominent pioneer of Minooka. He came to this country from Ireland at an early age and settled in Baltimore, Md., where he was employed by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company. Later he lived at Clarksburg, W. Va. Mr. Coyne made a return trip to Ireland and in 1860 made a second voyage to America, at this time locating at Minooka, where he was identified with the coal industry for many years. He died in 1891, and his wife died in 1920. They are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. To Mr. and Mrs. Coyne the following children were born: Patrick, deceased; Mary, the subject of this sketch; T. J., lives in Scranton; Catherine, the widow of Stephen Judge, lives at Minooka; John J., died Aug. 16, 1927, was a prominent business man of Minooka and served as tax collector of Lackawanna Township, deputy sheriff and justice of the peace. Mr. Coyne was a life-long Democrat and held membership in St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Vincent J. Dunleavy, the capable and progressive principal of schools of Lackawanna Township, is a native of Scranton. He was born Feb. 12, 1901, the son of James and Catherine (Moran) Dunleavy.

James Dunleavy, deceased, was a substantial citizen of Scranton, where he spent his entire life. He was identified with the coal industry. He died in February, 1915, and is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. His widow lives in Minooka. Mr. Dunleavy was a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and belonged to the Holy Name Society

and Ancient Order of Hibernians. There were nine children in the Dunleavy family as follows: Celia, the widow of Edward Ryan, lives in Scranton; John, deceased; James, lives in Scranton; Lucy, married Walter Sweitzer, lives in New Jersey; Frank, lives in Scranton; Marie, lives at home; Agnes, married Andrew Nealon, lives at Carbondale; Joseph, lives at Minooka, served throughout the World War in France and with the Army of Occupation in Germany; and Vincent J., the subject of this sketch.

Vincent J. Dunleavy was educated in the public and high schools of Minooka, and in 1919 was graduated from Stroudsburg Teachers Training College. In 1926 he received his degree from St. Thomas College, Scranton. He began his teaching career in 1922 as a member of the faculty of Minooka High School, and since 1926 has been principal of Woodrow Wilson High School, as well as principal of the Lackawanna Township schools.

Mr. Dunleavy is a Democrat, a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society. He is unmarried.

Patrick J. Diskin. The entire career of Patrick J. Diskin of Minooka, has been connected with the hotel business, which he entered in the year of 1910. He now lives retired at Minooka. Mr. Diskin was born in this city, a son of Thomas and Nappy (Coyne) Diskin.

Thomas Diskin was born in Ireland, as was his wife. They were early immigrants to America and pioneer settlers of Minooka, where Mr. Diskin was employed in the coal mines. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. Mr. Diskin was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. There were nine children in the Diskin family as follows: Bridget, married John Joyce, lives in Minooka; Patrick J., the subject of this sketch; John, deceased; Mary, the widow of Patrick Corbet, lives at Minooka. Thomas, lives at Minooka; Andrew, deceased; William, lives at Minooka; Catherine, and Martin, both at home.

Patrick J. Diskin acquired his educational advantages in the public schools of Minooka. Besides his hotel interests he has had various business connections in the city and was one of the organizers of the Minooka State Bank, of which he is serving as director.

On Aug. 1, 1900, Mr. Diskin was united in marriage with Miss Helen O'Hara, of Dunmore, the daughter of P. F. and Sarah (Best) O'Hara, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. O'Hara, deceased, was a prominent citizen of Minooka, where he served as justice of the peace for many years. He was a Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. His widow lives in New York City. Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara had the following children: Andrew, lives in New York City; Helen Diskin; Joseph, lives at Avoca, Pa.; William, lives at Yonkers, N. Y.; Bessie, married John McKernan, lives at Hastings, N. Y.; James, lives in New York City;

Sarah, married M. P. Joyce, lives at Minooka; Genevieve, married Enoch Peterson, lives at Little Falls, N. Y.; and Alice, married Edmond Hunt, lives at Edgewater, N. J. Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Diskin: Irene, teacher of music, lives at Minooka; Joseph, attends the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, member of the class of 1928; Lillian, a graduate of Stroudsburg State Normal School, class of 1926, now a member of the faculty of Woodrow Wilson High School, Minooka; Patrick, attends St. Thomas College, is now taking business course, Scranton; Marshall, Adelell, Florence, Evelyn, and Chester, all students.

Mr. Diskin and his family are members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and are prominent citizens of the community.

William L. Cairns, who is general freight and passenger agent for the Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railroad Company in Scranton, is one of the city's well known citizens. He was born at Clinton, Mass., Aug. 19, 1879, a son of George W. and Janet G. (Scott) Cairns.

George W. Cairns was born in Concord, N. H., of Scotch parents, Aug. 31, 1850, and in early life removed to Clinton, Mass., where he now lives retired. Mr. Cairns was engaged in foundry work during his active career and was also prominent in fire department circles, serving 25 years as foreman of steamer hose and four years as chief of engineers. He was active in organizing the Nachusett Co-operative Bank and served as director for many years. Mr. Cairns is a Republican and attended the Methodist Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Cairns, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary April 16, 1927, the following children were born: George S., foundry man, lives at Clinton, Mass.; William L., the subject of this sketch; Frederick E., manager of order department of the McClintock-Marshall Construction Company, Chicago; Lillias W., manager of the service department of the American-LaFrance & Foamite Company, Atlanta, Ga.; Maddison A., electrician lives at Davenport, Ia., is a World War Veteran, having served in France; and Isabel, died in infancy.

The boyhood of William L. Cairns was spent at Clinton, Mass., where he attended the public schools. He began his business career with the Southern Bell Telephone Company at Atlanta, Ga., and later went with the Southeastern Freight Association for one year. He was identified with the Atlanta & West Point Railroad Company for five years and then became identified with the Southeastern Passenger Association. Mr. Cairns settled in Scranton in November, 1903, and since that date has been in the employ of the Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railroad Company. He began as chief clerk and was promoted to general freight and passenger agent in 1910.

On Sept. 12, 1906, Mr. Cairns was united in marriage with Miss Mabel Grace Booth, born at Windsor, Vt., April 16, 1881, the daughter of Benjamin H. and Jennie A. (Watson) Booth, the former a native of Waterloo, Quebec, Canada, and the latter of Harrisburg, N. Y. Mr. Booth

is deceased and his widow lives in Leominster, Mass. They were the parents of five children: Mabel Grace Cairns; Carl W., lives at Laconia, N. H.; Susan, and Winifred, live at home; and Benjamin H., Jr., died in childhood. To Mr. and Mrs. Cairns three daughters were born: Edith, born March 27, 1912; Eleanor, born June 19, 1916; and Ruth, born Jan. 4, 1919.

Mr. Cairns is a Republican and a member of Peter Williamson Masonic Lodge of Scranton.

W. H. Berge, M. D., is among the skilled specialists and surgeons of Scranton, where he was born Nov. 20, 1868. He is the son of Frederick W. and Catherine (Langan) Berge.

Frederick W. Berge, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was a native of Germany and in 1856 came to the United States and settled in Scranton. He served throughout the Civil War as a member of the Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, being in service for four years and three months. After the close of the war Mr. Berge settled at Keyser Valley, Pa., where he was prominent for many years as a hotel keeper. He was a member of the Catholic Church and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a member of the Scranton Poor Board for several years. Mr. Berge died in April, 1926, at the age of 88 years. His wife is also deceased, and they are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Berge as follows: Frederick, explorer, now in Alaska; W. H., the subject of this sketch; John, U. S. Army, stationed at Washington, D. C., is a veteran of the World War, having served in France with the Second Division; Agnes married Lewis Andrews, lives in Scranton; and Josephine, directress of nurses, at Hillside Home, Scranton.

The early education of W. H. Berge was received in the public schools of Scranton. He prepared for his profession at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., from which he was graduated in 1893. He served an internship one and one-half years at the Lackawanna Hospital, now known as State Hospital. He then engaged in private practice at Avoca, Pa., where he remained until 1922. He has since been a resident of Scranton and has devoted his entire time to surgery. He is consulting surgeon of Taylor, (Pa.) Hospital. While a resident of Avoca, Dr. Berge served as coroner of Luzerne County. He has offices at 226 Washington Avenue.

On July 4, 1888, Dr. Berge was united in marriage with Miss Anna Kirkhuff, of Falls Township, Wyoming County, Pa. She was born March 17, 1868, the daughter of Reuben and M. (Durland) Kirkhuff, both deceased. To Doctor and Mrs. Berge were born five children: Florence, married William Sanders, insurance, lives in Scranton; Frances, married Austin O'Malley, mortician, lives at Avoca, Pa.; Frederick, lives at home;



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Helen, a graduate of Marywood College, is dietician at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; and Teddy, lives at home.

Dr. Berge is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and Elks Lodge.

Frank A. Kane, deceased, was a leading merchant of Minooka and a substantial citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in County Mayo, Ireland, the son of John and Bridget (Hart) Kane.

John Kane emigrated to the United States from Ireland during the early days and settled in Pennsylvania. He was one of the pioneers of Minooka. Mr. Kane was a Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Both he and his wife are buried in Hyde Park Cemetery, Scranton. They had three sons : James, deceased; Frank A., the subject of this sketch; and Patrick John, deceased.

The education of Frank A. Kane was received in the schools of Dublin, Ireland. He became a teacher and was connected with the schools of Lackawanna Township until 1887, at which time he became interested in the drug business at Minooka. He continued as the city's leading pharmacist until the time of his death, May 5, 1921. He was the owner of extensive properties in Minooka at the time of his death. He is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka.

On June 14, 1877, Mr. Kane was united in marriage with Miss Maria Connolly, who was born in Ireland in 1847, the daughter of Owen and Catherine (Boland) Connolly, natives of Ireland. Mr. Connolly was a pioneer merchant of Minooka, and an extensive land owner. He died May 25, 1912, and his wife died in January, 1902. They had four children: Maria Kane; Catherine, Philip C., and John F., all deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Kane were the parents of two sons: Frank A., born March 30, 1881, died Jan. 6, 1926, was a prominent attorney of Lackawanna County, and the husband of Ethel Hoffman, of Washington, D. C.; and Dr. John F., born Jan. 27, 1887, died Nov. 20, 1915, was a leading physician and surgeon of Scranton, he married Sarah O'Boyle, of Scranton and they had a son, John F., Jr., born May 9, 1914.

Mr. Kane was a Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Mrs. Kane resides in the family home 3226 Berney Avenue, Minooka.

Martin McDonough, deceased, was one of the leading business men of Minooka, and his keen foresight, energy, and marked business ability made him a wealthy man. He was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and emigrated to this country with his parents when a boy. He went to work in the coal mines of Pennsylvania when nine years of age, in the employ of William Connelly, of Minooka. Mr. McDonough became interested in the general mercantile business at Minooka in 1867. This store

soon became one of the leading business enterprises of the rapidly growing city and was continued by Mr. McDonough throughout his business career. He also engaged in the hotel business and was prominent in the city's business life. Mr. McDonough died July 28, 1897, and is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. His wife died Feb. 28, 1921.

Mr. McDonough was married to Miss Bridget Murray, a native of Ireland, and to them the following children were born: James, John, Thomas F., Mary, and Martin H., all deceased; Laura, mention of whom is made below; Anna, in religion, Sister Mary Agatha, Oyster Bay, New York; and one child died in infancy.

Mr. McDonough was a life long Democrat and served as tax collector of Lackawanna County. He was one of the first members of St. Joseph's parish, and active in church work.

Martin McDonough had a tender love for his friends. It was a pleasure to him to labor in the cause of his people. He never tired of helping the unfortunate. His store was open to all people, whether they paid or not. He denied no one the necessities of life. Mr. McDonough's honesty was divine like, his hope was sublime. He believed all men had something good in them. And thus he lived, and thus he died, honored and beloved by all.

Laura McDonough has succeeded to the business which was established by her father so many years ago. She has been a resident of Minooka her entire life, and is one of the community's best known women. She holds membership in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, and lives in the family residence at 3000 Berney Avenue.

William F. Buckley is among the most progressive business men of Minooka, where he was born March 29, 1875. He is the son of William and Margaret (McGrath) Buckley, natives of Ireland and both now deceased.

William Buckley was among the first settlers of Minooka, where he was employed in the coal mines. He died in 1908 and his wife died in 1914. They are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery. Mr. Buckley was a Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. There were seven children in the Buckley family, as follows: Mary, lives at Minooka; Ellen, deceased, was the wife of Thomas B. Shea; Patrick, deceased; William F., the subject of this sketch; Peter, Michael and James, all residents of Minooka.

William F. Buckley worked in the mines as a slate picker when he was a boy. He received a meager education and later attended night school in Scranton, where he prepared himself for the business world. He later learned the plumber's trade and in 1905 engaged in the plumbing and heating business at 206 Linden Street, Scranton, where he continues to the present time. Mr. Buckley has also been interested in the hardware business at Minooka since 1914 and owns one of the city's finest

stores at 3100 Birney Avenue, Minooka, where he conducts plumbing, heating and hardware business. He is a director of the Minooka State Bank, of which he was an organizer.

On Nov. 18, 1914, Mr. Buckley was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth King, of Minooka, the daughter of T. P. and Bridget (Riley) King, natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. King, deceased, were the parents of seven children, as follows: Mary, deceased; Joseph, lives at Penn Yan, N. Y.; Thomas, lives at Detroit, Mich.; Catherine, deceased, was the wife of Jeremiah Coter; Margaret, lives in New York City; Anna, married William Ling, lives in Philadelphia; and Elizabeth Buckley. Mr. and Mrs. Buckley have a daughter, Bettie, born Aug. 9, 1916.

Mr. Buckley has always been a Democrat. He holds membership in the Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge, the Holy Name Society and is identified with Y. M. I., Master Plumbers Association and Chamber of Commerce of Scranton. He has held several public offices, including that of township assessor, township treasurer and tax collector. He is well known and highly esteemed in the community where he has always lived.

Gerald P. Higgins, popular young business man of Minooka, is a member of a family that has long been identified with the history of Lackawanna County. He was born at Minooka, May 2, 1899, the son of Patrick and Mary (Mulkerin) Higgins.

Patrick Higgins, retired, is prominent throughout Lackawanna County, where he has lived for many years. He came to this country from Ireland in his youth and was one of the first settlers of Minooka, where he conducted a general mercantile business for 35 years. He retired in 1925 and was succeeded by his son, Gerald P. Higgins. Mr. Higgins is a Democrat and has held many township offices. He is a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and one of the organizers of St. Vincent de Paul Society. To Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in February, 1927, the following children were born: Bridget, married M. J. McCrea, of the Scranton Times; Winifred, married P. J. Chilbri, lives at Minooka; Mary, married Joseph Murray, lives at Minooka; Festus, deceased, was a professional baseball player; Anna, married Gerald Langan, lives in Scranton; Gerald P., the subject of this sketch; and Peter, deceased.

Gerald P. Higgins received his early education in the public schools of Minooka and attended St. Thomas College, Scranton. He has always been interested in his father's business, of which he became proprietor in 1925. This is one of the leading business enterprises of the city and does a large volume of business annually.

Like his father, Mr. Higgins is identified with the Democratic party in politics and holds membership in the Catholic Church. He also belongs to the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Higgins is unmarried.

Mervyn M. Williams, M. D.—One of the most prominent specialists in Ophthalmology in Pennsylvania is Dr. Williams, who is well established in practice in Scranton with offices in the Bliss-Davis Building. He was born in Scranton, July 15, 1887, the son of John W. and Elizabeth (Williams) Williams.

John W. Williams was born in Wales and was an early settler of Scranton. He died in 1923 and his widow lives in Scranton. Mr. Williams was a Republican and a member of the Congregational Church. There were three children in the Williams family: Verna, married C. S. Andrews, lives in Scranton; Anna, married J. G. Black, lives in Scranton; and Mervyn, the subject of this sketch.

Mervyn M. Williams attended the public schools of Scranton, from which he was graduated in 1907. He entered Syracuse University and was graduated from the College of Liberal Arts in 1912. He took his medical course at Syracuse, which he completed in 1916. He served his interneship at Memorial Hospital, Syracuse, N. Y., and Bellevue Hospital, New York City, and engaged in private practice in Syracuse in 1917. Dr. Williams returned to Scranton in 1922 after completing a post graduate course in the department of Ophthalmology at the Medical School, University of Pennsylvania. He is chief eye surgeon of the Moses Taylor Hospital. Since beginning his specialization work in this city he has achieved a reputation as a physician and surgeon in his particular field. He is also editor of the Medical Journal of the Lackawanna County Medical Society.

In 1922 Dr. Williams was united in marriage with Miss Ethel Pinkney, who was born at Dunmore, Pa., in 1891, the daughter of Peter and Emma (Purdy) Pinkney, both deceased. Mr. Pinkney, a native of England, was an early settler of Dunmore, where he was identified with the coal industry for many years. He died in 1924 and his wife, also born in England, died in 1926. They are buried in Dunmore Cemetery. There were five children in the Pinkney family: Amelia, deceased, was the wife of Robert L. Young, Scranton; Theophilus, lives in Scranton; Robert, deceased; George, lives in Florida; and Ethel Williams.

Dr. Williams is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church.

Michael Kelly. One of the recognized leading merchants of Lackawanna County is Michael Kelly, who is identified with Kelly Brothers, general merchants of Minooka, as general manager. He was born at Minooka, Jan. 15, 1865, the son of John and Bridget (Gibbons) Kelly.

John Kelly was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and was among the first settlers of Minooka, where he was well known as a stone mason contractor. He was also proprietor of a hotel at this place for several years. He was a Democrat, a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and belonged to the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, deceased, are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. They were the parents



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of the following children: Michael, the subject of this sketch; Anna, deceased, was the wife of Charles Moore, who lives at Taylor, Pa.; Mary, married H. P. Coyle, lives at Bangor, Pa.; Sarah, lives at Minooka; Rev. Joseph, deceased; John, deceased; Helen, married M. J. Gilroy, lives at Avoca, Pa.; Rev. Frank, assistant pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church, Allentown, Pa.; William, who is identified with Kelly Brothers, Minooka; and Laura, deceased.

Michael Kelly worked in the coal mines of Lackawanna County when ten years of age as a slate picker. For several years he attended the public schools of Minooka and began his business career as a clerk in the employ of the Connell Coal Company. He later was employed as a foreman during the building of the Elmhurst reservoir, and then went with the Scranton Axle Company. Since 1912 he has been interested in the mercantile business at Minooka in partnership with his brothers. He became general manager in 1927, following the death of his brother, John Kelly.

On Aug. 28, 1895, Mr. Kelly was united in marriage with Miss Anna Daley, who was born in Philadelphia, Aug. 15, 1872, the daughter of William and Maria (Joint) Daley, the former a native of Philadelphia and the latter of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Daley are deceased. He is buried in Philadelphia, Pa., and she is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka. Twelve children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Kelly as follows: Mary, a teacher, in the International Correspondence School, Scranton; Edmond, lives at home; Joseph, lives in Philadelphia; Charles, lives at home; Eugene, lives in Philadelphia; Laura, and Frank, at home; Paul, married Mildred Fahey, lives in Scranton; Helen, John, Anna, and William, all students.

Mr. Kelly is a Republican and a member of St. John's Catholic Church. The family residence is at 1605 Pittston Ave., Scranton.

Patrick J. Murphy is well and favorably known in Scranton where he has spent his entire life. He was born Jan. 13, 1876, the son of Patrick and Mary (Mahon) Murphy.

Patrick Murphy, deceased, was a native of Ireland and one of the early settlers of Scranton, where he was employed in the mines. He was a Democrat and a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy are buried in the old Dunmore Cemetery. They were the parents of six sons: Thomas, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; Patrick J., the subject of this sketch; John, Joseph and Frank, all deceased; and Bernard, lives in California.

Patrick J. Murphy was reared and educated in Scranton and was first employed at the breaker and later with the Lackawanna Steel Co. He began his business career in the employ of the T. F. McDonough, wholesale liquor dealer, with whom he was identified for 31 years, becoming manager of the business in 1912 and remained in that capacity until

1919. He served as general manager of this concern. He has various business enterprises in the city and lives at 1221 Pittston Avenue.

On June 30, 1909, Mr. Murphy was united in marriage with Miss Mary Cawley, of Minooka, the daughter of John and Catherine (Manning) Cawley, natives of Ireland. Mr. Cawley, deceased, was an early settler of Minooka, where his widow resides. They were the parents of the following children: Mary Murphy; Margaret, married Frank Spiegel, lives in New York City; John, Patrick, and Susan, all live at Minooka; and Anna, the widow of Patrick Dougherty, lives at Minooka. To Mr. and Mrs. Murphy five children were born, as follows: Alice, attends Mount St. Mary's College; John, attends St. Thomas College; Joseph, attends St. Thomas College; Genevieve and Catherine, both students.

Mr. Murphy is a Democrat, a member of St. John's Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society, Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge, and Ancient Order of Hibernians.

W. H. Olmstead, M. D., has been for more than thirty years established in the successful practice of his profession at Taylor, and ranks among the leading physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dundaff, Pa., Aug. 22, 1862, the son of Dr. J. C. and Dency (Woodward) Olmstead.

Dr. J. C. Olmstead, deceased, was born in New York City. He settled in Susquehanna County, Pa., in 1842 and engaged in practice at Dundaff until his death in 1887. He is buried in the Dundaff Cemetery. His wife died in 1864. Doctor Olmstead was a Democrat and a member of the Episcopal Church and Masonic Lodge. W. H., the subject of this sketch, was their only child.

After his graduation from the grammar and high schools of Susquehanna County, W. H. Olmstead entered Wyoming Seminary. He took up the study of medicine at the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Medical College and later at Jefferson Medical College. He then entered Columbus Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1890. He spent two years in general practice at Dalton, Pa., four years at Fleetville, Pa., and in 1896 located at Taylor, where he is the second oldest physician in years of service in the community. He is also connected with the Taylor Hospital.

In 1883 Dr. Olmstead was united in marriage with Miss Sally Brownell, of Dundaff, Pa., the daughter of Daniel and Esther (Rush) Brownell. Mr. Brownell died in May, 1917, and his widow, now 88 years of age, lives at Dundaff. They were the parents of three children: Benjamin, deceased; Woodward, lives at Orson, Pa.; and Sally Olmstead. To Doctor and Mrs. Olmstead were born three children: Kate, a teacher in Taylor High School, lives at home; Nina, a teacher in Taylor High School, lives at home; and Hawley, born at Dalton, Pa., in 1891. During

the World War he volunteered for service and was sent to France with the 116th Sanitary Train, Medical Corps. He died during the influenza epidemic, Feb. 15, 1918, and is buried in the American Cemetery, in France.

Doctor Olmstead is a member of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. He has always been a Republican.

J. A. Powell, cashier of the Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank, is a member of one of the old and substantial families of this section of Lackawanna County. He was born at Taylor, Sept. 2, 1888, a son of J. B. and Elizabeth (Neiger) Powell.

J. B. Powell was born in England and was three years old when his parents came to the United States and settled at Minooka in Lackawanna County. Throughout his business career he has lived at Taylor, where he is well known as a furniture dealer. He is a Republican, a member of the Calvary Baptist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He has served as president of the borough council and also as school director. His wife was born at Taylor. They have four children: Ezra, furniture dealer, lives at Taylor; J. A., the subject of this sketch; George, lives in Scranton, is a veteran of the World War, having served with the rank of first lieutenant; and Melissa, married H. C. Johnson, lives at Taylor.

J. A. Powell went to work in the coal mines of Lackawanna County when he was nine years of age. He began his banking career with the Dime Bank of Scranton, with which he was identified for 17 years. He resigned as paying teller in 1920 to accept the position of cashier of the Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank, in which capacity he has since served.

In 1912 Mr. Powell was married to Miss Blanche Williams, who was born at Taylor in 1899, the daughter of M. M. and Sally (Leyshon) Williams, the former a native of Wales and the latter of Pittston, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Williams, who died in 1927, were the parents of five children: D. A., deceased; Elizabeth, deceased, was the wife of David Whiteford, of Scranton; O. M., lives at Taylor; R. M., lives at Salt Lake City, Utah; and Blanche Powell. Mr. and Mrs. Powell have a son, Morgan, born in December, 1913.

Mr. Powell is a Republican, and is serving his third term as burgess of Taylor. He is a member of the Calvary Baptist Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge.

The Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank was organized in 1905, with the following officers: Joseph Jermyn, president; William Atherton, vice president; and D. Jermyn Davis, cashier. The directors were: Joseph Jermyn, William Atherton, Max Rosenbloom, James S. Weibel, John P. Thomas, J. F. Taylor, E. G. Watkins, George Timlin, and Charlie Vannort.

The officers in 1927 were: J. J. Jermyn, president; E. G. Watkins, vice president; J. A. Powell, cashier; William Thomas, and E. J. Kauckeck,

assistant cashier. The board of directors were: J. D. Atherton, J. P. Corcoran, F. R. Coyne, T. J. Davis, W. D. Davis, J. V. Duber, Titus Evans, J. J. Jermyn, R. G. Jermyn, Jr., J. B. Rees, Joseph Senuk, T. P. Thomas, E. G. Watkins, Enoch Williams, and J. S. Weibel.

Charles Ridgely Howard Jackson, General Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in Scranton, was born at Baltimore, Md., the son of William Andrew Jackson and Sarah Jane (Wilson) Jackson. Both his maternal and paternal ancestors came to this country more than 250 years ago.

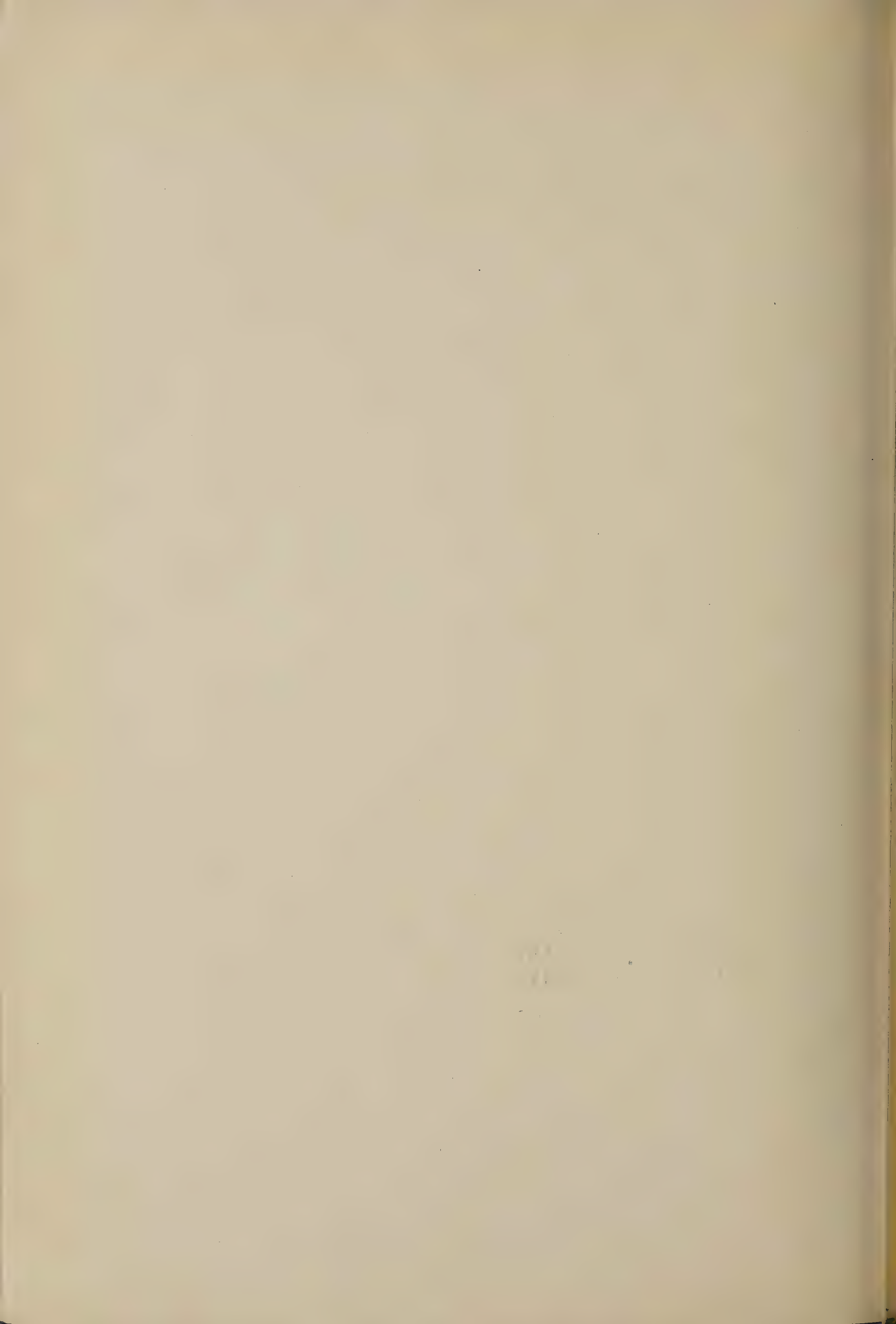
James Jackson and Michael Holcomb, two of his great grandfathers, fought in the Continental Army during the War of 1776. His grandfather, Alexander Isaac Wayne Jackson, fought in the War of 1812 and helped defend Baltimore from the English at the Battle of North Point. His father, William Andrew Jackson, served under Stonewall Jackson during the Civil War.

Mr. Jackson was educated in the private and public schools of Baltimore and Harvard University. He was recognized as an all-round athlete of ability being especially proficient in gymnastics, boxing and distance running; and was also a good fencer, wrestler, football and track and field man. He was induced to enter Y. M. C. A. work as physical director at Wilmington, Del., Oct. 1, 1894. He remained there three years, during which time he was also instructor and coach at the Friends School. He was then called to Wilkes-Barre, where he served for five years, greatly increasing the interest in all forms of physical training in that city. Here he married Mary N. Master, daughter of William F. Master and Mary M. Bartholomew. They have one daughter, Margaret M. Jackson.

In January, 1903, Mr. Jackson took up his duties in Scranton as physical director of the Y. M. C. A. He brought to Scranton an abundance of experience, knowledge and energy, and his influence was soon felt throughout the city. Mr. Jackson started Scranton's first playground in the summer of 1906. Assisting him in the organization of this work were William H. Hagen, R. E. Weeks, and A. B. Cohen. When public recreation was finally taken over by the city early in the year of 1914, and the bureau was looking for a suitable man to take charge of this work, a letter from the Playground and Recreation Association of America was received by the chairman of the local Bureau, stating: "You have in Scranton a man well adapted to take hold of this responsible position, handle it with good judgment, insight, wide social vision, and in a broad civic spirit and a big human way fitting the function defined for the man in the terms of the ordinance creating the Bureau. I refer to Mr. C. R. H. Jackson, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. He knows the city. The city knows him. He is well read along these lines. He has ripened himself for the requirements of the work. He has sterling character, possibly one of the greatest needs of all. He will be a good disciplinarian



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for his staff and for the masses of the children. He will serve as a lover of children and youth and a builder of citizens. He is too big and broad a man, intellectually, to be narrow and diversive in any relation, religiously or socially."

Mr. Jackson was called to be Scranton's first superintendent of recreation and took up his duties May 16, 1914. He accepted this position mainly because he was the founder of public recreation in Scranton and wished to see it started on a sound basis under municipal control. On Aug. 1, 1915, the board of directors of the Scranton Y. M. C. A. called Mr. Jackson to the general secretaryship of the local association. Mr. Jackson has been a pioneer in the community for clean sports, promoting contests of all kinds among the school children and young men in 1904 and conducting amateur athletics of various kinds for all of northeastern Pennsylvania from 1904 until 1915.

The Scranton Y. M. C. A. has never been in a more prosperous condition nor has it done better work than it has during Mr. Jackson's administration. This bears out the late Alfred Twining's estimate of him in an editorial in the Scranton Times, when he said: "We all have our failings, and Professor Jackson has his. He is a lion in an emergency, and nothing would cause him to quail before a foe, or hesitate to rush in, in defense of justice or right, to protect the weak and helpless; but he is too retiring and modest, does not reveal himself until you come in long acquaintance and contact. You have to know him intimately, and pierce the calm, cool, outward demeanor before you know the man, and then the diamond shines in brilliant lustre. As a member of the Y. M. C. A. I am glad Professor Jackson has decided to stay just where he is, and it was equally pleasing to me when a number of years ago, Professor Jackson built a beautiful residence in East Scranton, for it made me feel that the best physical director in the country had cast his lot with Scranton, and was a permanency."

Martin J. Langan, popular restaurant owner of Minooka, is well known throughout Lackawanna County, the family residence being in Scranton. He was born at Kingston, N. Y., Aug. 2, 1875, the son of Thomas and Bridget (McNulty) Langan.

Thomas Langan, who died in 1923, was a native of Ireland. He emigrated to the United States in 1872 and settled at Kingston, N. Y., later removing to Scranton in 1887. Mr. Langan was employed in this city as a steel worker. He was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. He is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. His widow, also born in Ireland, is 84 years of age, and lives in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Langan were the parents of the following children: Michael, lives at Moscow; Thomas, lives in Scranton; Patrick, lives in Scranton; Martin J., the subject of this sketch; Mary, the widow of John Carmody, lives in Virginia; Owen, lives in Scranton; Belinda, married Charles Gordon,

lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; Catherine, married Patrick Starkey, lives in Scranton; and Helen, the widow of Mr. Gerrity, lives in Scranton.

Martin J. Langan received his education in the parochial schools of Scranton. As a youth he was employed in the coal mines as a breaker boy and later worked in the steel mills for 20 years. Mr. Langan then became interested in the hotel business at Minooka. For a number of years he has engaged in the restaurant business here.

Mr. Langan was married in 1898 to Miss Julia Walsh, who was born at Minooka, July 31, 1875, the daughter of John and Mary (Chial) Walsh, natives of Ireland, and early settlers of Minooka. Mr. Walsh died in 1914 and his wife died in 1925. They were the parents of seven children: Julia Langan; Bridget, married Daniel Shea, lives at Minooka; Mary, married Joseph Connolly, lives in Scranton; John, lives in Scranton; Timothy, Thomas and William, all deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Langan were born two children: Mary and Thomas, both at home.

Politically Mr. Langan is a Democrat. He holds membership in St. Joseph's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of St. George. He is prominent in the city's business affairs, being one of the organizers of the Minooka State Bank, of which he is serving as director.

David F. Davis, of Taylor, is prominent in Scranton where he is a member of the faculty of Scranton High School as a teacher of history. He was born at Taylor, July 22, 1887, the son of David Morris and Gwen (Price) Davis.

David Morris Davis came to the United States from Wales in 1865 and settled in Scranton, where he was employed in the coal mines. He removed to Taylor in 1868 and spent the remainder of his life there. He died July 23, 1925, and is buried in Forest Home Cemetery, Taylor. His widow still resides there. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis were born ten children, as fellows: Ellsworth E., lives at Taylor, is a veteran of the World War, having served in France; David F., the subject of this sketch; Walter H., lives at Taylor; Virginia, died in April, 1922, was the wife of William V. Williams, of Taylor; Muriel, Mildred, and Hannah, all at home; Lillian, a graduate nurse, now associated with St. Joseph's Foundling Home, Scranton; Oliver W., attends Mansfield State Normal School; and Melville, a teacher in Taylor High School.

The early education of David F. Davis was received in the public schools of Taylor. He was graduated from Mansfield State Normal School in 1918 and subsequently entered Susquehanna University, from which he received his degree in 1925. He has been interested in the teaching profession since 1910 and was a teacher at Taylor High School for several years. He has been connected with Scranton High School since 1924. Mr. Davis served as a member of the Pennsylvania State Legislature as a representative from the Sixth District during the ses-

sions of 1915-17-19. He was recently elected a member of the school board of Taylor for a period of six years.

On Aug. 16, 1922, Mr. Davis was united in marriage with Miss Ruth James, of Taylor, Pa., born May 30, 1892, Dubois, Pa., the daughter of Joseph and Jennie (Passmore) James, natives of England. Mr. and Mrs. James, who live at Taylor, are the parents of the following children: Frederick, lives at Taylor; Ruth Davis; Ralph T., lives at Duryea, Pa., is a World War veteran, having served in France and Germany; Grace, a teacher, lives at Taylor; and George, died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have one daughter, Audrey Jane, born Jan. 21, 1928.

Mr. Davis is a Republican, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Christian J. Neher, superintendent of the Taylor post office, is widely known and well liked throughout Lackawanna County. He was born in Scranton, Feb. 16, 1868, the son of George and Caroline (Hoffman) Neher.

George Neher, deceased, was a native of Prussia. He was among the early settlers of Scranton where he was well known as a brick contractor. He was a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, of which he was elder, and he also belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. and Mrs. Neher are deceased and are buried in the Pittston Avenue cemetery, Scranton. They were the parents of the following children: Lena, married Walter Nape, lives in Scranton; George, retired, lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, married William Smith, lives at Dunmore, Pa.; Christian J., the subject of this sketch; Peter, lives in Scranton; and Catherine, married Jacob Buck, lives at York, Pa.

Christian J. Neher spent his boyhood in Scranton and attended the public schools. He was employed in a Scranton bakery for three years, and spent the following three years in the steel mills. He then learned the brick laying trade. For a number of years he was identified with the Scranton post office as a carrier, and has held his present office as superintendent of the Taylor branch since Dec. 10, 1925. He has proven a genial, efficient and capable official.

Mr. Neher married Miss Elizabeth Hartman, who was born in Scranton, June 10, 1867, the daughter of Philip and Magdalene (Fox) Hartman, natives of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Hartman, deceased, are buried in the Pittston Avenue Cemetery, Scranton. They were the parents of six children: Philip, lives in Scranton; Magdalene, married Robert Deiter, retired, lives in Scranton; Elizabeth Neher; Mary, married Louis Hess, lives in Scranton; William, lives at Clark Summit, Pa.; and Frank, lives in Scranton.

To Mr. and Mrs. Neher six children were born, as follows: 1. Walter, mechanical engineer, Glen Alden Coal Company, Scranton, married Mildred Norris, and they have three children, Walter S., Lois and Mildred.

2. George, was killed in action during the World War during the battle of the Argonne, Sept. 26, 1918, while serving as a member of Company H, 313th Regiment. He is buried in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D. C. 3. Frank, associated with the Hudson Coal Company, Scranton, married Lena Twiss, and they have a daughter, Mary, born Oct. 16, 1927. 4. Philip, professional base ball player, lives at home. 5. Edgar, associated with Jermyn Brothers, Scranton. 6. Elizabeth, married Harry Fuess, lives in Scranton, and they have two children, Howard and Madeline.

Mr. Neher is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America, and the P. O. S. of A. He is identified with the Post Office Superintendents Association, and the Supervisors of Postal Departments.

Harry J. Adams ranks high among the successful young business men of Scranton, where he is identified with the Adams Dental Laboratory. He was born in St. Louis, Mo., March 28, 1897, and is the son of Harry J. and Della (Rainey) Adams.

Harry J. Adams, deceased, was a native of Yorkshire, England. He was a machinist by trade and spent a great deal of his life in Scranton. He died in 1904 and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. His widow lives at 329 North Lincoln Avenue, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Adams had two children; Ruth, married L. J. Forgeng, lives in Scranton; and Harry J., the subject of this sketch.

Harry J. Adams has spent practically his entire life in Scranton. He was educated in the public schools and at an early age became interested in mechanical dentistry in the employ of the Scranton Dental Company. He continued with this firm until 1925, at which time he founded the Adams Dental Laboratory, which is located in the Central Building. His products are distributed throughout northeastern and southern Pennsylvania, southeastern New York and northern New Jersey.

Mr. Adams is a Democrat, a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 3rd degree, and Elks lodge. He is unmarried and resides with his mother.

John Grover Hughes. An experienced man in his particular line of business, John Grover Hughes, who is president of The Pierce Company, is well known in Scranton. He was born in this city, March 19, 1870, the son of Evan D. and Anna M. (Grover) Hughes.

Evan D. Hughes, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Pennsylvania and was among the earliest settlers of Scranton, where he served for 30 years in the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad Company as a passenger conductor. Later in life he engaged in the grocery business. Mr. Hughes served throughout the Civil War as a member



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of the 6th Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was severely wounded at the battle of Beverly Forge. He was later taken prisoner. Mr. Hughes was a Republican, a member of the Calvary Reformed Church, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Grand Army of the Republic.

Growing up in his native city, John Grover Hughes attended the public schools. He also is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary. His first business experience was gained in the produce business of Levi Lindley, and he then became associated with the firm of Pierce & Holgate in 1886. W. H. Pierce later took over the business and in 1912 Mr. Hughes was elected president of this well known concern. It is the pioneer produce house of Scranton.

On May 23, 1894, Mr. Hughes was united in marriage with Miss Bertha C. Longshore, who was born at Hazelton, Pa., April 25, 1875, the daughter of Dr. Evan and Mary (Seagraves) Longshore. Dr. Longshore, deceased, was a prominent pioneer physician of Scranton. He served throughout the Civil War as a drummer boy. Dr. Longshore was a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church.

Patrick F. Higgins is one of the best known men of Minooka, where he is engaged in the general insurance business, and also serving as tax collector and township treasurer of Lackawanna Township. He was born at Minooka, April 4, 1889, the son of Peter and Bridget (Lowry) Higgins.

Both Peter Higgins and his wife were natives of Ireland and among the earliest settlers of Lackawanna County. They located at Minooka, where Mr. Higgins became well known as a building contractor. He died Jan. 16, 1918, and his wife died Sept. 20, 1918. They are buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins were the parents of the following children: John, lives at Wheeling, W. Va.; Bridget, married John Forrester, lives at Minooka; David, lives at Pawtucket, R. I.; Mary, the widow of William Cusick, lives in Scranton; Patrick F., the subject of this sketch; and Katheryn, married Edward Heffron, lives at Brooklyn, N. Y.

After finishing his schooling at Minooka, Patrick F. Higgins took a business course in Scranton. He began his business career as credit manager for C. B. Scott Company, in which capacity he served for ten years. He has since been interested in the general insurance business. Mr. Higgins was elected township treasurer and tax collector of Lackawanna Township in November, 1923.

On Jan. 1, 1916, Mr. Higgins was married to Miss Ruth Kisthart, who was born at Hazelton, Pa., April 3, 1893, the daughter of John and Elizabeth (Opfer) Kisthart, both deceased. They were the parents of the following children: Leonard, lives at New Castle, Pa.; Martha, married Thomas Phillips, lives in Scranton; Catherine, married Samuel Gilbert, lives in Scranton; Ruth Higgins; Clarence, lives in Scranton, was a World War veteran, having served in France with the 79th Division; Frederick

and William, who live in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins have a daughter, Marie, born Jan. 2, 1920.

Mr. Higgins is a Democrat, a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society.

Rev. John F. Holmes, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, at Taylor, is prominent throughout Pennsylvania, where he has spent his entire life. He was born at Archbald, the son of Patrick and Margaret (White) Holmes.

Patrick Holmes was born in Ireland and was ten years of age when he emigrated to the United States and settled at Archbald. He removed to Carbondale, Pa., in 1893 and died there May 16, 1916. He is buried at Archbald. His widow, now 80 years of age, lives at Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Holmes the following children were born: John F., the subject of this sketch; Timothy, lives at Carbondale; Thomas, lives at Scranton; Patrick, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; and James, lives at Hazelton, Pa.

The boyhood of John F. Holmes was spent at Archbald, where he received his early education. He then entered St. Bonaventure College (N. Y.) where he studied for the priesthood, being ordained Dec. 21, 1896, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hoban. He said his first mass at Carbondale, Dec. 26, 1896, in St. Rose's Catholic Church, and his first charge was as assistant to the pastor at Blossburg, Pa. He subsequently was located at Plains, Kingston, Hazelton, Parsons, Athens, Minooka, Dunmore, and Auburn, Pa. He was appointed pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church at Taylor in 1913 to succeed the Rev. James A. Moffett, first pastor of this church, which was built in 1889.

Reverend Holmes lives at 202 Church Street, Taylor, which adjoins the church property.

William M. Thomas, one of the leading young business men of Taylor, where he is assistant cashier of the Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank, is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Taylor, Feb. 13, 1893, the son of John P. and Mary (Moses) Thomas.

John P. Thomas, deceased, was a native of Wales. When a boy he came to the United States with his parents and settled at Old Forge, Pa. He later removed to Taylor, where he is successfully engaged in the general mercantile business. He also served as postmaster for 12 years and as a member of the city council. He was a Republican and a member of the Baptist Church. Mr. Thomas is buried in Taylor Cemetery. His widow lives at 501 South Main Street. They had four children: Thomas P., proprietor of the Thomas Theatre, Taylor, and also a director of the Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank; William M., the subject of this sketch; Rachael, a student; and Helen, who died at the age of five years.

William M. Thomas acquired his early education in the public schools of Scranton. He was graduated from Lackawanna School, Scranton, in 1912, from Bellfonte Academy in 1913, and also attended Lehigh University. On Aug. 25, 1918, he enlisted for service in the World War and was sent to Fort Slocum. He was later transferred to San Antonio, Texas, and assigned to the 643rd Aerial squadron. He served in France during the remainder of the war and was discharged in March, 1920, from Mitchell Field, Long Island. Upon his return to Taylor, Mr. Thomas was identified with his brother's business interests until 1921, at which time he was appointed assistant cashier of the Taylor Discount and Deposit Bank.

Mr. Thomas is a member of the Baptist Church and belongs to the American Legion, Taylor Post, No. 106. He was married Aug. 28, 1923, to Virginia Langford Thomas, of West Virginia.

Henry J. Gunster, who is identified with the hardware and plumbing firm of Gunster Brothers, 325-27 Penn Avenue, ranks high among the dependable and widely known business men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Scranton, Jan. 11, 1858, a son of Joseph H. and Lucinda (Lutts) Gunster.

Joseph H. Gunster, deceased, was prominent among the pioneer bankers of Scranton. He was born in Germany and in early life emigrated to the United States and settled in Scranton, where he became interested in the furniture and undertaking business. He was one of the founders of the Scranton City Bank and served as cashier for a number of years. He was also prominently identified with the Merchants & Mechanics Bank of Scranton. Mr. Gunster was a Democrat and served as a member of the city council. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree. He also served as treasurer of the Scranton School Board. He died Feb. 14, 1910, and his wife died April 1, 1900. They are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Gunster were born five sons: Henry J., the subject of this sketch; Charles W., deceased, was cashier of the Merchants & Mechanics Bank and when the M. and M. Bank merged he had charge of the foreign department in the First National Bank; George N., who is identified with Gunster Bros.; Walter E., a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army, stationed at Nashville, Tenn.; and Arthur, who is identified with Gunster Bros., Scranton.

Henry J. Gunster received his early education in the public schools and also attended Merrill's Private School, Scranton. He is a graduate of Newton Collegiate Institute, at Newton, N. J. Mr. Gunster began his business career with the Scranton City Bank but in 1877 went West in charge of the Denver, Col., store of Sprague Warner & Co., grocers. Later, he returned to Scranton and was associated with Forrester Brothers for one year. He spent three years as a bookkeeper for Connell &

Son, plumbers and hardware dealers, and in 1883 became identified with the firm of Gunster & Forsyth. This partnership continued until 1905, at which time Gunster Brothers purchased the interests of Mr. Forsyth. They are now recognized as the leading hardware merchants of the city and are also plumbing and steam fitting contractors.

In 1900 Mr. Gunster married Miss Margaret Cannon, of Old Forge, Pa. They have no children.

Mr. Gunster has always been a Democrat. He has been affiliated with the Elks Lodge since 1904 and is chairman of board of directors of the Builders Exchange. The Gunster residence is located at 705 Jackson Avenue, Scranton.

David Lloyd is prominently identified with one of the important industrial enterprises of Lackawanna County, being president and general manager of the Green Ridge Coal Company, of Scranton. He was born in Wales in 1870, the son of David and Magdalene (Williams) Lloyd.

David Lloyd, deceased, came to the United States with his family in 1879 and settled in Tioga County, Pa., where he was connected with the soft coal industry. In 1884 he removed to Taylor. He died in Scranton and his wife is also deceased. Mr. Lloyd was a Republican, a member of the Calvinistic Methodist Church and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd the following children were born: David, the subject of this sketch; Rees, lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, married George Chambers, lives in Scranton; William, deceased; Mary Jane, married William Davis, lives in Scranton; Ellen, married Henry Powell, lives at Taylor, Pa.; John, lives in Philadelphia; James and Thomas, live in Scranton; and Roger, deceased.

David Lloyd was graduated from I. C. S. schools of Scranton, Pa. His first occupation was that of mining and in 1902 he came to Scranton, where he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He was transferred to the Dodge mines in 1899, assistant mine foreman, and two years later was promoted to foreman at the Bellevue mines. In 1906 he was made assistant mine superintendent in the Kayser Valley mines for the same company, and in 1913 was promoted to mine superintendent. In 1920 Mr. Lloyd engaged in the coal business for himself in the Park Hill and Slocum Hollow mines, and five years later organized the Green Ridge Coal Company, of which he was made president and general manager. The other officers of the company are: H. L. Williams, secretary; and Wallace Ruth, treasurer. The directors are: David Lloyd, H. L. Williams, Wallace Ruth, H. L. Taylor, and John H. Williams.

In June, 1897, Mr. Lloyd married Miss Lillian Prestwood, who was born in Wales in March, 1873, the daughter of William and Sarah Prestwood. Mr. Prestwood is deceased and his widow resides at Taylor, where the family settled in 1885. There were eight children in the Prestwood

family: Charlotte, married William Winkle, lives at Schenectady, N. Y.; Moses, lives in Scranton; Sadie, married William Richards, lives at Taylor; Thomas, deceased; Lillian Lloyd; Edith, deceased, was the wife of Rees Lloyd; Catherine, married John Proper, lives at Taylor; and Bert, merchant, lives at Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd have three children: Effie, married Lawrence Thomas, lives in Scranton, and they have a son, David, III.; Harvey, born in Scranton in 1902, associated in business with his father, married Miss Catherine Loomis, and they have two children: Shirley and David; and Ruth, a student.

Mr. Lloyd, who is a Republican and an active citizen of Scranton, holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The offices of the Green Ridge Coal Company are located in the Brooks building, Scranton.

Joseph P. Jennings, treasurer of the Nallin and Jennings Park Company, operating Rocky Glen Amusement Park, near Moosic, is one of the well known and most successful business men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Ireland, March 14, 1882, the son of John G. and Mary (Varley) Jennings.

John G. Jennings emigrated to the United States from Ireland in 1884 and settled at Minooka, Pa. He served as treasurer of Lackawanna Township, and served on the Township School Board for many years. He was a life long Democrat. He was also one of the first members of the parish of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Minooka. Mr. Jennings died in April, 1926, and his wife died in October, 1915. They were the parents of eleven children: Edward, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bridget, deceased; Patrick, deceased; Ellen, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; James, deceased; Frank, deceased; Miles of Batavia, N. Y.; John of Minooka, Pa.; Mary, deceased, Benjamin of Minooka, Pa., and Joseph P., the subject of this sketch.

Joseph P. Jennings received his education in the public schools of Minooka and was employed in the coal mines until 1898 at which time he went to Pittsburgh and entered the employ of the American Steel Company. Later he returned to Minooka and in 1902 was appointed Justice of the Peace of Moosic Borough by Governor Stone. Later he purchased Hotel Central at Moosic from the estate of Ex-Mayor Loftus, and he operated the Hotel until 1920. Mr. Jennings has also been interested in the insurance business since 1904. Since 1921 Mr. Jennings has been actively engaged in the conduct of Rocky Glen Park at Moosic, Pa.

On April 19, 1904, Mr. Jennings was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Manning, who was born in Scranton, Pa., Feb. 26, 1884, the daughter of Luke and Catherine (Brennen) Manning, natives of Ireland, and pioneer settlers of South Scranton. Mr. Manning died Feb. 27, 1892. His widow, now 84 years of age, lives in New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Manning had the following children, Mary, deceased, was the wife of M. J. Stratford, New York City; Elizabeth, married Mathew Plunkett, New

York City; Thomas and John, live in New York City; Luke and Patrick, both deceased; James, lives in Montana; Catherine, lives in New York City; and Margaret Jennings. To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Jennings, seven children were born, as follows: Helen, born Jan. 27, 1905, was graduated from Drexel College, in 1923, connected with the First National Bank of Scranton; Mary, born May 4, 1906, was graduated from Katherine Gibbs School of Boston, Mass., in 1926, now located in New York City; Joseph P., Jr., born June 19, 1907, was graduated from Pennsylvania State College in 1927; Catherine, born May 19, 1909, was graduated from Marywood Seminary in 1927; John, born March 13, 1911, attended St. Thomas College; Thomas, born July 31, 1912, attends Central High School; and Margaret, born Oct. 14, 1914, attends Central High School.

Mr. Jennings has always been an active Democrat. He was elected treasurer of Moosic Borough in 1906, tax collector of Moosic in 1909, which office he held until 1918. Though Moosic was always an overwhelmingly Republican Borough, Mr. Jennings was repeatedly elected. Several times he was the nominee of both parties. He was Democratic candidate for County Treasurer in 1918. He was appointed Federal Inspector under President Woodrow Wilson in 1919. Mr. Jennings is a member of the Catholic Church, and active in its societies.

H. D. Gillner is one of the reliable business men of Scranton where he is manager of the Swift Company Packing Plant. He was born at Sterling, Wayne County, Pa., April 4, 1886, the son of Jacob and Kate (Bortree) Gillner.

Jacob Gillner, who lives retired in Scranton, is a native of Pike County, Pa. He was one of the early settlers of Sterling, where he served for many years as representative of the Grand Union Tea Company. He is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife died in 1900 and is buried at Zion, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Gillner had four children: Jennie, deceased; H. D., the subject of this sketch; Clarington, lives in Scranton; and Jessie, who died in 1921.

H. D. Gillner spent his boyhood at Sterling and attended the public school. After completing a course at Scranton Business College he entered the employ of John Arnold, retail meat dealer, in 1900, and served in a clerical capacity for two years. He then was identified with the Scranton Electric Railway Company for five years, at which time he became associated with the Mellett Meat Company as store manager. He has been in the employ of Swift & Company since October, 1916 and has served as manager of the local packing plant since Jan. 5, 1920. He lives at 1529 Webster Avenue, Dunmore.

On June 1, 1907, Mr. Gillner was united in marriage with Miss Virginia Gilpin, of Pike County, Pa., the daughter of Chester and M. (Croft) Gilpin. Mr. Gilpin died in 1921, and his widow resides So. Sterling. They

had the following children: Floyd, deceased; Samuel, lives in Philadelphia; Charlotte, lives in Scranton; Virginia Gillner; Grace, married William Thomas, lives in Scranton; Oscar, farmer, lives at Sterling; and Luella, married William Strickland, lives in Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Gillner have a daughter, Charlotte, born in 1915.

Mr. Gillner is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

James R. Gilligan. One of the prominent young men of Lackawanna County, interested in educational work, is Mr. James R. Gilligan, who is superintendent of the Dunmore Public Schools. Mr. Gilligan was born in Dunmore, June 8, 1891, a son of Richard and Hannah (Scanlon) Gilligan.

Richard Gilligan, deceased, was a native of Dunmore, where he spent his entire life. He was an expert telegrapher, and was employed for many years as train dispatcher for the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad. Mr. Gilligan died April 30, 1911, and his wife died in 1896. To Mr. and Mrs. Gilligan the following children were born: John H., who resides in Carbondale, Pa., is a yardmaster for the Delaware and Hudson Railroad; Grace, deceased; James R., the subject of this sketch; and William T., a World War veteran, who lives at Avon Park, Florida.

James R. Gilligan received his elementary school training at the Lincoln (No. 4) School, Dunmore, and graduated from the Dunmore High School. He received his degree from the Pennsylvania State College in 1912, and began his teaching career as head of the Latin Department at the State College High School during the school year of 1912-1913. Mr. Gilligan was a teacher of Latin at the 1912 and 1913 summer sessions of the Pennsylvania State College. During the years of 1913 to 1915, he was head of the History Department, and coach of the football, basketball and baseball teams of the Bellefonte High School. His football teams won the championship of Central Pennsylvania for two successive years. He returned to Scranton in 1916, was assistant principal of the Lafayette (No. 16) School for one year, and for nine years was principal of the Whittier (No. 2) School. During the year of 1924, Mr. Gilligan was president of the grade department of the Pennsylvania State Education Association; in the same year he was elected president of the teachers of Scranton; and in 1927 was president of the Dunmore teachers.

In May, 1926, Mr. Gilligan was elected to his present position as superintendent of the Dunmore Public Schools.

During the World War, Mr. Gilligan was first stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia. Later he was transferred to the Artillery Officers Training School at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, where he received his honorable discharge on December 22, 1918.

Mr. Gilligan was married on May 22, 1926 to Miss Marie C. Fleming, of Scranton.

The Rev. Patrick E. Lavelle, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Minooka, is a native Scrantonian. He was born on Pittston Avenue, South Scranton, on Oct. 2, 1867.

His father, Martin B. Lavelle, emigrated to America from the West of Ireland in 1848, and for a time located at Honesdale and later on at Factoryville and Butterwick Falls on the Susquehanna where he was employed as a rock contractor by the railroads.

In 1849 Mr. Lavelle, married Bridget Ward, daughter of Owen Ward, of Newport, Ireland, in St. John's Church, Honesdale. Nine children were born of this union of whom Patrick E., the subject of this sketch, is the youngest.

Ever since 1851 the Lavelle family has lived in Scranton. Martin Lavelle the father was killed in the mines in 1869, and Mrs. Lavelle, had reached the patriarchal age of 82 years when in 1910 she was called to her reward.

Like ever so many others who were denied advantages and made acquainted with hardships, Mr. and Mrs. Lavelle were keen to give their children a thorough education.

Patrick passed through the public schools of Scranton and St. Cecilia's Academy, before entering St. Charles College, Ellicott City, Md., in 1884. From this famed college he graduated in 1890 and immediately began his studies in philosophy at St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore. On completing the two years' course of philosophy he received the degree of Master of Arts from that institution.

After studying theology for three years in St. Mary's Seminary he was ordained to the priesthood by Rt. Rev. William O'Hara, in St. Rose Church, Carbondale, on Oct. 4, 1895.

Father Lavelle's first assignment in the Diocese of Scranton was to assist Very Rev. John Finan, V. G., in the pastoral work at St. John's Church, Pittston. Next he labored at St. Patrick's Hyde Park, and in May, 1903, he was appointed pastor of St. Juliana's Church, Rock Lake, Wayne County, where he spent eight years. In 1912, he came back to Lackawanna County as pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church, Taylor, and on July 1, 1913, moved to Minooka to become administrator of St. Joseph's Parish. When eight months later Father Rea resigned because of ill health, Father Lavelle, was promoted to the rectorship of this parish.

During his pastorate the parish has kept pace with the progressive congregations of the diocese.

During his administration Father Lavelle, has made many improvements and some very substantial additions to the parish property: one of these was the acquisition of St. Joseph's Hall from the T. A. B. Society, now used as a Parish hall; the other the building of a modern rectory which is surpassed by only a few in the diocese. During these years also a substantial fund has been created toward the erection of a parochial school which will complete the church property.



REV. P. E. LAVELLE

Bernard F. Golden, well known in Scranton as a successful photographer, with studio at 215 Washington Avenue, is a native of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dunmore, the son of Anthony and Mariah (Barrett) Golden.

Anthony Golden, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He was among the early settlers of Dunmore, where he was employed in the coal mines. Mr. Golden is deceased and his wife, who was born at Dunmore, died in 1923. They are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunmore. Mr. and Mrs. Golden were the parents of the following children: Michael J., deceased; A. F., lives in Scranton; John E., insurance, lives in Scranton; Thomas, plumber, lives at Dunmore; Anna, lives with her brother, Bernard F., in Scranton; Harry, lives in New York City; Margaret, lives in Scranton; Frank E., lives in Scranton; and Bernard F., the subject of this sketch.

The boyhood of Bernard F. Golden was spent at Dunmore and in early youth he was employed in the coal mines. He later took up the study of photography and when 20 years old opened his first studio at Olyphant, where he continued in business until 1915. He has since been located in Scranton, where he ranks among the capable men in his profession. At the Photographers' Convention held in 1915 at Indianapolis, Ind., the convention in Buffalo, N. Y., and at the 45th annual convention of the Photographers Association of America held in New York City in 1927, Mr. Golden's exhibits were awarded honors. In fact at every convention where his work has been exhibited he has received honors.

Mr. Golden is a Democrat and holds membership in the Catholic Church and lives with his sisters at 1509 Linden Street, Scranton.

A. and P. Stores. The original A. & P. store was opened 68 years ago by George Huntington Hartford, a grocery clerk who saved up his earnings to fulfill his vision of a "cash-and-carry" store, and thirty-eight years ago he opened his first store in the Scranton district at 411 Lackawanna Avenue, and five years ago, due to the number of stores in this territory, it was necessary to open a branch warehouse and office located at Penn Avenue and Vine Street.

All of the stores in Northeastern Pennsylvania as well as the lower tier of New York State are supplied from the local warehouse. The section covered by the Scranton Headquarters is known as the "Scranton Unit" of The Great A. & P. Tea Company and bears the reputation of being one of the best units in the entire company.

It is hard to realize the enormous amount of work and money that is required to keep such a chain of stores supplied with seasonable and quality merchandise at prices which affect a real saving to the average home. The A. & P. are the largest handlers of freight in the city outside of the coal industry. During the month of September the A. & P. handled 376 freight cars of foodstuffs and paid \$63,028.93 to the local freight offices.

Some idea of the volume of merchandise which is distributed for daily consumption in Scranton may be obtained when it is known that local draying concerns were paid \$19,225.00 in September for trucking foodstuffs from the warehouse to the stores.

To take care of the enormous demand for A. & P. goods, it requires a solid carload of fresh roasted coffee every two days and 30 carloads of A. & P. butter each month, or a carload a day.

The bread sold in A. & P. stores is baked right here in Scranton by the Heights Baking Company, who over a year ago opened up their new bakery on Cedar Avenue. This bakery is modern and sanitary and has machinery and ovens large enough to turn out 1500 loaves of bread per hour.

The A. & P. is truly a local concern. Its expenditures for store rentals to Scranton citizens runs into thousands of dollars every month. Moreover, all of the money represented in their business transactions is handled by Scranton banking houses, which do a profitable business with this company.

For almost a dozen years the A. & P. stores sold nothing but tea and coffee, with premiums to stimulate buying. Mr. Hartford made it a policy never to go into debt to start a new store; for that reason, the early history of A. & P. was rather slow in the pre-civil war days, but now the country is filled with the red-painted stores which are, to the last detail, replicas of the one first established.

Mr. Hartford used to tell that he received more criticism about the glaring red paint he used on the front of his stores than of anything else, but that made him more determined than ever to stick to the color.

Many representatives of the company are in South America, experts in coffee whose raw products are shipped from plantations owned and operated by the company. All Bokar, Red Circle and Eight O'Clock Coffee is roasted in the ten company roasting plants.

At West Bend, Wisconsin, the company owns the largest single evaporated milk condensary in the world. A foreign office for all products is now located at London, through which all foreign products are bought for shipment to America. Offices are also maintained at Santos, Brazil, Medellin and Columbia.

The company has an "iron-clad" policy of honesty and of quality merchandise, honest prices, honest weight and the loyalty of its employes, fostered by the company's policy of giving every employe a chance to climb the ladder of success, is primarily responsible for its phenomenal growth.

At present over 400 persons obtain their livelihood with The great A. & P. Tea Company in Scranton. Nearly all of the employees are stockholders and on account of this ownership are vitally interested in the success of the company. A goodly percentage of the total wages paid to these employees finds its way back into the local banks in the form of savings accounts, but still more is again expended by these A. & P. folks

for food, clothing, light, heat, shelter and amusements. Much of the company's success is reflected in the loyalty and good will which is inherent in its employees. The A. & P. is truly proud of its Scranton organization, who are real Boosters of Scranton.

A. F. Gallagher, the vice president in charge of the stores, warehouse and office in Scranton and adjacent territory began with the A. & P. Company, Oct. 3, 1901 as clerk in the Court Street Store, Binghamton. As years passed and record of his service was filed in the main office, advancement came continuously. From clerk he advanced to shipping clerk, from shipping clerk to manager, then to superintendent when the concern opened its local chain of economy stores.

Not content with this advancement he continued recording splendid results which netted him the post of general superintendent of the Scranton Warehouse, when established on Sept. 1, 1922. Four years ago he was appointed vice president of the division.

Howard E. Griffin. Active and progressive in business, Howard E. Griffin is prominent in Scranton, where he has engaged in the drug business continuously since 1889. He was born in this city, Feb. 29, 1868, the son of George and Diantha (Coleman) Griffin.

George Griffin, deceased, was a native of Scranton. He was connected with the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company throughout his business career and served as mine superintendent. He died Sept. 14, 1909, and his wife died in October, 1917. Both are buried at Dunmore. Mr. Griffin was a Republican, and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. There were seven children in the Griffin family, of whom all are now deceased except Howard E., the subject of this sketch.

Howard E. Griffin was reared and educated in Scranton. He studied pharmacy at the Philadelphia School of Pharmacy and then served as a clerk in the employ of Charles Henwood, pioneer druggist of Scranton. In 1889 Mr. Griffin engaged in business for himself and has become one of the dependable druggists of the city. His store is located at 1844 North Main Street. Mr. Griffin is also vice president of the North Scranton Bank.

Mr. Griffin was married June 18, 1891, to Miss Jeanne DeMunn, who was born at Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 1, 1868. They have a son, Dudley D., born in Scranton, Sept. 30, 1892. He was graduated from Princeton University in 1915 and is connected with the offices of John H. Brooks, brokers of Scranton. He served throughout the World War in France as a member of the Ambulance Service, Unit No. 581. He received the French decoration, Croix de Guerre, for bravery in action, and was discharged at Camp Dix, N. J.

Mr. Griffin has always been a Republican. He holds membership in the Providence Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge.

Ernest Leland Peet, M. D., the son of William Wesley and Mary Lacey Peet, was born at Tuscarora, Bradford County, Pa., where he grew up and acquired his preliminary education. During the year 1891 he married Etta Wilcox, of Retta, Pa., who died the following year, leaving him a daughter, Etta. She is now married to Dr. Clayton J. Bennett, and they reside at Oak Creek, Col.

In 1892 Dr. Peet took his freshman year in medicine at the Cleveland University of Medicine, of Cleveland, Ohio. In 1893 he entered the Hahnemann Medical College, of Philadelphia, Pa., where he received his M. D. degree in 1896. He then went before the State Medical Licensing Board where he passed with honors being granted by the State of Pennsylvania, a license to practice medicine and surgery. Locating at Peckville, Pa., he practiced medicine about two years. He then entered the New York Post Graduate Academy of Medicine, where he took a special course in eye, ear, nose and throat. Returning to Scranton, where he has since practiced his profession. During the last sixteen years, he has limited his practice to eye, ear, nose and throat, office 102 W. Market Street.

Dr. Peet held membership in the Lackawanna County Medical Society for 18 years. He also held membership in the American Medical Association.

June 17, 1916, Dr. Peet married Clara Williams of Scranton, Pa., daughter of James and Jane Williams; from this union he has one son, Ernest Russell, who is attending the Robert Morris School.

Dr. Peet owns his home at 501 Depot Street, Scranton, Pa.

During his younger life he was gifted in, and devoted some time to music, being a good cornet player, and band leader; also a good violin player. He is an expert checker player, having drawn several games with some of the world's best players. In religious matters he is a liberal thinking man, not being a member of any religious sect. In politics, he is a Republican. Dr. Peet enjoys a good reputation in his profession, and is also a man of good steady habits.

Edward E. Muller, cashier of the North Scranton Bank and Trust Company, and one of the most energetic and influential citizens of Scranton, was born at Port Jervis, N. Y., March 19, 1883, the son of Jacob E. and Emma (Huber) Muller.

Jacob E. Muller, who lives retired in Tunkhannock, is a native of Jeffersonville, N. Y. He lived for several years at Port Jervis and in Brooklyn, and in 1892 removed to Honesdale, Pa. He has been a resident of Scranton since 1895, and was for many years well known as a plumbing and heating contractor in this city. He is a Republican and a member of the German Lutheran Church. His wife, a native of Pennsylvania, died Jan. 17, 1926, and is buried in Shady Lane Cemetery, Chinchilla, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Muller had two children: Edward E., the sub-



ERNEST LELAND PEET, M. D.

ject of this sketch; and Marguerite, married Griffith Jenkins, lives at Tunkhannock, Pa.

Edward E. Muller completed his schooling in Scranton in 1900, and in January, 1902, became connected with the North Scranton Bank & Trust Company in a clerical capacity. He was appointed assistant cashier in 1915 and made cashier in 1919.

On June 26, 1907, Mr. Muller was united in marriage with Miss Irene Pearson, who was born in Scranton, March 29, 1887, the daughter of Hiram A. and Matilda (Saylor) Pearson. Hiram A. Peterson was born in Scranton, Pa., and later in life settled in Schenectady, N. Y. Mr. Pearson died in May, 1906, and his widow lives in Scranton with her daughter, Mrs. Muller. Mr. Pearson was a Republican, a member of the Baptist Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. Mr. and Mrs. Muller have two sons: Pearson, born March 13, 1908, attends Cornell University; and Edward J., born July 2, 1912, is a student at Scranton Central High School.

Mr. Muller is a Republican and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

The North Scranton Bank & Trust Company, which is one of the leading financial institutions of Lackawanna County, was organized April 14, 1901, with the following officers: William J. Lewis, president; James Fitch, vice-president; P. J. Jordan, secretary; and T. M. Symonds, cashier. The directors were: J. R. Atherton, Valentine Bliss, J. B. Fish, James Fitch, P. J. Jordan, J. A. LaBar, W. L. Lewis, L. W. Morss, and Adam Spitzer.

In October, 1927, the North Scranton Bank had a capital stock of \$200,000, surplus of \$300,000, and deposits of \$3,189,072.31; now increasing capital to \$500,000 and surplus to \$400,000. The officers are: Valentine Bliss, president; H. E. Griffin, vice-president; S. R. Bliss, vice-president; and E. E. Muller, cashier. The directors are: Valentine Bliss, S. R. Bliss, George A. Dickerson, H. E. Griffin, Fred V. Hartzell, P. J. Jordan, P. J. Mahon, John H. Pritchard, John T. Stansbury, Theodore Sureth, Armit Thomas, and A. A. Yanoshat.

Edwin L. Partridge, proprietor of the firm of Partridge-Wirth Co., producers of blue prints, photostat prints, and facsimile letters, ranks high among the representative young business men of Scranton, and is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Elmhurst, Pa., Dec. 16, 1895, the son of L. W. and Ida (Huber) Partridge.

L. W. Partridge, pioneer merchant of Elmhurst, has been a resident of Scranton since 1904. He was born in Massachusetts and in early life settled in Pennsylvania. Mr. Partridge served as postmaster of Elmhurst for many years and held various other public offices. He is a Republican, a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. Mr. and Mrs. Partridge, who live at 927 Taylor Avenue, are the parents of five sons, as follows: Fred

V., insurance, Scranton, is a veteran of the World War, having served with the rank of sergeant; Frank H., a captain in the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga., is a World War veteran, and is also secretary of the Officers' Infantry School at Columbus, Ga.; Edwin L., the subject of this sketch; Gilbert D., sales-manager with the Maccar Company, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., is also a veteran of the World War; and Russell A., a teller in the Traders National Bank, Scranton.

Edwin L. Partridge received his early education in the public schools of Scranton, and later attended Pennsylvania State College. He enlisted for service during the World War, Aug. 1, 1917, and was sent to Fort Monroe, Va. He was later transferred to Washington, D. C., as aide to Brigadier General Ferguson. He received the commission of second lieutenant on Sept. 24, 1918, and then served as an instructor at Fort Monroe, Va., until the time of his discharge, April 20, 1919. Upon his return to Scranton Mr. Partridge accepted a position with the Hudson Coal Company as a mining engineer and in 1922 entered in the business of the production of blueprints, drawing materials, etc. He has offices in the Coal Exchange Building. In the year 1927 Mr. Partridge purchased the interests of the Fac-Simile Letter Co., and entered the direct mail advertising business.

Mr. Partridge is a Republican, a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Shrine, and Consistory. He also belongs to the Scranton Chamber of Commerce, Craftsman Club, Lions Club, Engineers Club, and Ariel Club. Mr. Partridge is a member of the American Legion, Keystone Post. On January 18, 1922, he married Leona I. Lindeman. They have a son, Edwin L. Partridge, Jr., born March 30, 1923.

Thomas McDonnell, mortician, is prominent in Dunmore where he is identified with the firm of McDonnell & Kane. He was born here, Nov. 20, 1884, the son of Anthony and Mary (Kane) McDonnell.

Anthony McDonnell and his wife were natives of Ireland and pioneer settlers of Dunmore, where he was employed in the coal mines. He was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. Mr. McDonnell died April 20, 1902, and his wife died Nov. 23, 1922. They are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunmore.

Thomas McDonnell obtained his education in the public schools of Scranton and also attended Scranton Business College. In his boyhood he worked in the coal mines of this section. He has been identified with the undertaking business since 1917, having at that time become associated with Mr. Kane. They are the owners of one of the most up-to-date funeral homes in Lackawanna County and render courteous and prompt service.

Mr. McDonnell was married July 19, 1913, to Miss Susan Eckman, who was born at Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 11, 1892, the daughter of H. S. and

Bernice (Hardy) Eckman, of Lancaster. Mrs. Eckman died June 19, 1922. To Mr. and Mrs. McDonnell have been born seven children: Sarah, born March 2, 1914; Mary, born Jan. 1, 1916; Thomas and Harry, twins, born Oct. 22, 1917; Bernice and John, twins, born Oct. 27, 1919; and Richard, born Sept. 25, 1921.

Mr. McDonnell is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Holy Name Society and Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Father John J. Gaffeny, assistant pastor of Holy Cross Catholic Church, is a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Scranton. He was born in this city, Aug. 28, 1889, the son of John F. and Bridget (O'Donnell) Gaffeny.

John F. Gaffeny, who lives retired in Scranton, is a native of this city. He spent 56 years in the service of the Lackawanna Railroad Company as a conductor. Mr. Gaffeny is a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. His wife was also born in this city. They have eight children: Nellie, deceased; Frank, civil engineer, a veteran of World War, served as petty officer in the navy, lives in Scranton; John J., the subject of this sketch; Robert M., lives at Detroit, Mich., is a veteran of the World War, having served with the aviation department; Margaret, supervisor of the Bell Telephone Company, Scranton; Mabel, pianist, Berlin Music Company, Scranton; Irene and Mildred, teachers, Scranton.

Fr. John J. Gaffeny obtained his early education in the parochial schools of Scranton and was graduated from St. Patrick's High School in 1907. He then entered the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad Company as a clerk in the general round house at Scranton and remained in their employ for six years. He then entered St. Thomas College from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1917. He studied for the priesthood at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Md., and was ordained July 18, 1920, by Rt. Rev. Bishop Hoban, at St. Patrick's Church, Scranton. His first charge was Our Lady of the Mount Church, at Mount Pocono, Pa., and from there he was transferred to Williamsport, Pa., as administrator of the Church of the Ascension. Reverend Gaffeny came to Scranton as assistant pastor of Holy Cross Church in 1921.

Dr. Horace D. Birchard, a leading dentist of Scranton, was born at Birchardville, Forest Lake Township, Susquehanna County, Pa., July 3, 1893, the son of Milton Edward and Zaidee Catherine (Dayton) Birchard.

Milton Edward Birchard was born in Forest Lake Township, Susquehanna County, and was a prominent citizen of that county, farmer, school-teacher, manager of the Creamery Company at Birchardville, for 10 years was Register and Recorder of the county, and also served as post-master of Montrose. He was a Republican and a member of the Baptist Church. Mr. Birchard died in July, 1927, and his widow resides at Mont-

rose. They were the parents of five children: Frederick Sherman, physician and surgeon, lives at Montrose; Essie, who died at the age of eight years; Edward, farmer and stockman, Montrose; Harvey, a member of the firm of Pepper & Birchard, coal dealers, Montrose; and Horace D., the subject of this sketch.

Horace D. Birchard was educated in the public schools of Montrose, including the high school, and then went to the University of Pennsylvania, where he took dental surgery, being a member of the class of 1915. He then engaged in practice with Dr. Walter Fordham, with whom he was associated for five years. Since January 1, 1920, Dr. Birchard has been located in his present offices in the Dime Bank Building. He belongs to the American, Pennsylvania State, and Lackawanna Dental Societies.

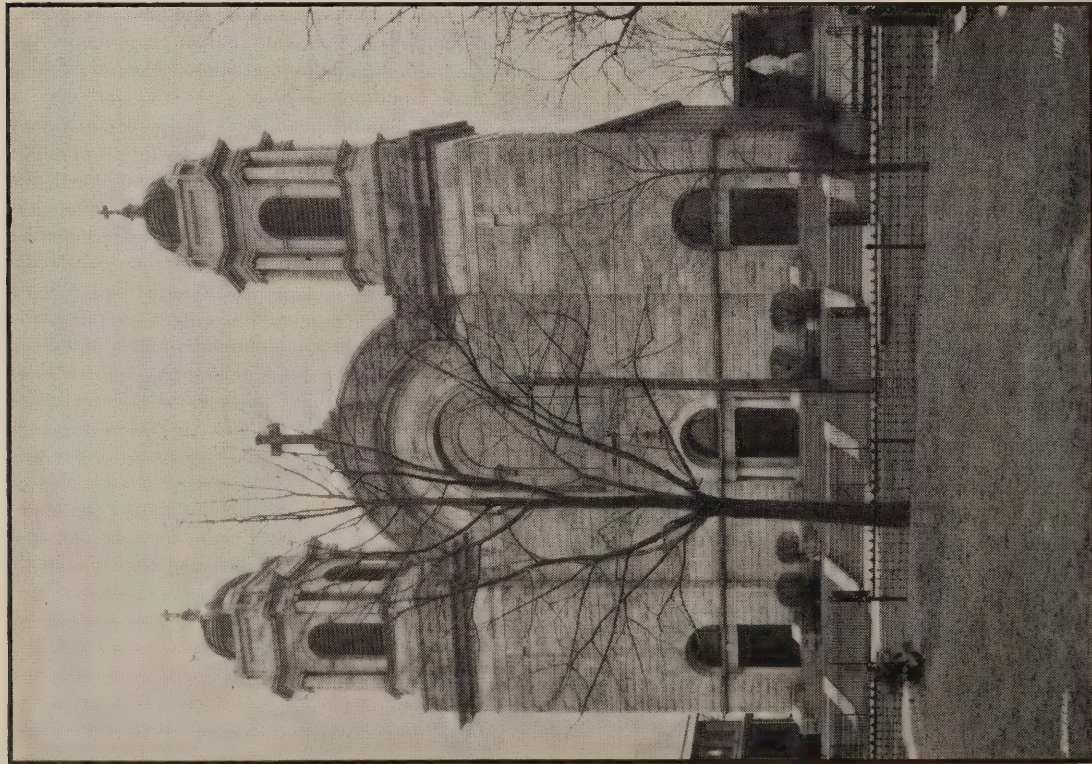
On Nov. 26, 1916, Dr. Birchard married Miss Irma Pepper, who was born at Elk Lake, Pa., Nov. 6, 1894, the daughter of Frank F. and Elizabeth (Brush) Pepper, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Pepper were the parents of three children: Pearl, married Glen L. Voss, lives at Montrose, Pa.; Irma Birchard; and R. Bruce, who lives at Montrose. Dr. and Mrs. Birchard have a son, Franklin Pepper Birchard, born in Scranton, March 20, 1923.

Dr. Birchard is a Republican in politics, in religion is a Baptist, and belongs to the Masonic Bodies, Irem Temple Shrine, Kiwanis Club, Scranton Club, Green Ridge Club and Scranton Canoe Club.

Rev. P. J. Boland.—Prominent among the leading men of Scranton is Father Boland, who is pastor of Holy Rosary Catholic Church at North End. He was born at Archbald, Pa., Sept. 15, 1872, the son of James and Ann (Killeen) Boland.

James Boland, deceased, was a native of New York and his wife was born at Carbondale. They were early settlers of Archbald, Pa., where Mr. Boland followed his trade as a carpenter. He and his wife are buried at Archbald. They were the parents of the following children: John, lives at Oneonta, N. Y.; Rev. James, pastor of St. Lucy's Catholic Church, Scranton; Rev. P. J., the subject of this sketch; Dr. Frank, physician and surgeon, lives at Philadelphia, is a veteran of the World War; Joseph, lives at Carbondale, Pa., is a veteran of the World War, having served in the U. S. Navy; and Mary, married Louis Toolan, lives at Carbondale, Pa.

Rev. P. J. Boland grew up at Archbald and received his early education there. He then entered St. Thomas College, Scranton, and was the first graduate from that institution. Later he attended St. Bonaventure College, where he prepared for the priesthood. He was ordained July 25, 1900, in St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hoban, and celebrated his first mass in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Archbald. Reverend P. J. Boland's first assignment was to St. Joseph's Church at Minooka, and he was later transferred to St. Peter & St. Paul's



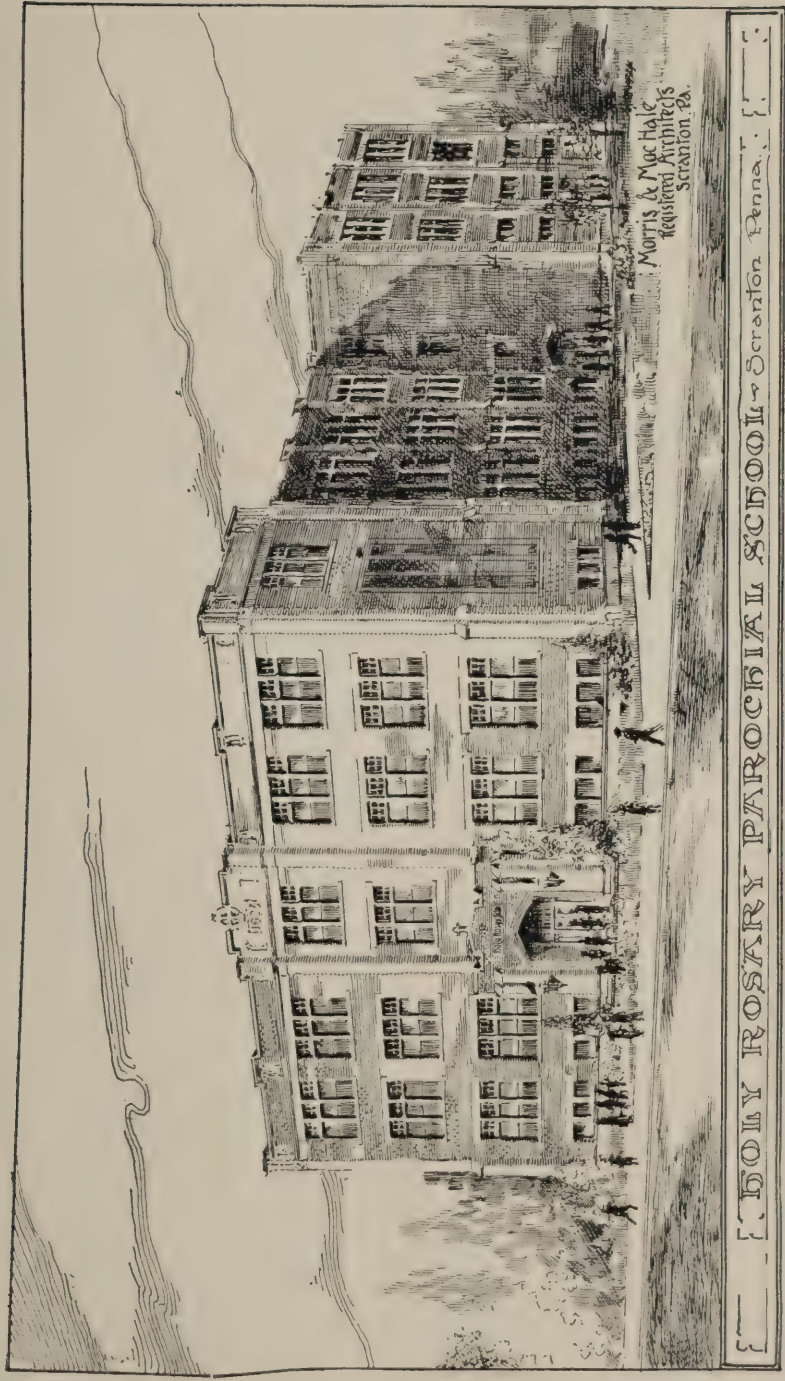
HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH, NORTH END, SCRANTON--
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Church at Towanda, Pa., as an assistant. He spent four years at St. John's Church in Scranton, and was also assistant at St. Peter's Cathedral in this city for seven years, during which time he was moderator of Catholic Women's Club. Reverend Boland was appointed pastor of Holy Rosary Church on Sept. 1, 1926.

The largest parochial school in Scranton is in connection with Holy Rosary Church and has an enrollment of 750 pupils.

Charles B. Parker is recognized as one of the ablest business men of Scranton, where he is president of the C. B. Parker Company, wholesale confectioners and dealers in soda fountain supplies. He was born at South Abington, Pa., May 6, 1868, the son of Fernando A. and Susan (Hall) Parker.

Fernando A. Parker, deceased, was born in South Abington, Pa. He was an early settler of Waverly, Pa., where he engaged in general farming and stockraising. He was a Republican and a member of the Baptist Church. He died in 1912 and is buried at Waverly, Pa. Mr. Parker was married first to Miss Susan Hall, who died in 1879, leaving the following children: Fred, lives at Redlands, Calif.; Charles B., the subject of this sketch; Carrie, married Andrew Stone, lives at Phoenix, Ariz.; and Edward, lives in Clark Green, Pa. Mr. Parker later married Miss Jennie E. Bowen, of Peckville, Pa., who now resides at Waverly. To this union six children were born: Lelia, married Joseph Challis, principal of the high school at Penn Yan, N. Y.; Louise, married Stephen Becker, lives at Flemington, N. J.; Marian, married Edward Fall, lives at Clemenceau, Ariz.; Robert B., lives in Waverly, Pa.; McKinley, lives at Waverly, Pa.; and Minnie, married Howard Ashby, lives at Cottonwood, Ariz.

Charles B. Parker spent his boyhood at Waverly where he attended the public schools. He remained on his father's farm for several years, and in 1886, removed to Scranton, where he spent three years in the employ of Price and Howarth, lumber dealers. He then was associated for 12 years with Jones & Sprooks Company, wholesale grocers, and in 1904 organized the C. B. Parker Company, which was incorporated in 1909. The business is located at 36 Lackawanna Avenue and is one of the well established enterprises of the city.

In 1890 Mr. Parker was united in marriage with Miss Fannie B. Mershon, Waverly, Pa., born March 1, 1870, the daughter of John W. and Jennie (Simms) Mershon. Mr. Mershon, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War, having served as a member of Company B, 30th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was a pioneer business man of Waverly, where he engaged in the undertaking business for many years. He died in May, 1924, and his wife died in 1887. Mr. Mershon was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. There were three children in the Mershon family: Fannie B. Parker; Nellie, married H. D. Linderman, lives in Scranton;

and Leafy, married W. S. Found, lives in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Parker were born three children: 1. Russell, born Dec. 22, 1892, associated in business with his father. He was married in 1917 to Miss Sophia Thomas, of Scranton, and they have three children: Charles Thomas, born in 1920; Maud, born in 1922; and Russel, Jr., born in 1924. He is a veteran of the World War, having served in France as a first class sergeant with Company A, 109th Infantry. He was also in service on the Mexican border in 1916 with the 13th Regiment. 2. Richard C., born March 16, 1896, associated in business with his father. He was married in 1919 to Miss Helen M. Gould, of Scranton. They have two children: Richard C., Jr., born Jan. 12, 1920; and Jean, born April 14, 1922. He is a veteran of the World War, having enlisted for service June 7, 1917. He was attached to the Motor Transport Corps and later transferred to the Depot Brigade at Camp Lee, Va. Later going to Edgewood Arsenal, Md., where he was discharged Dec. 8, 1918. 3. Ruth L., born May 27, 1901. She is private secretary to her father and lives at home.

Mr. Parker is a Republican, a member of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and Kiwanis Club. He lives at 1025 Delaware Avenue, Scranton.

Charles W. Harmon, first assistant chief of the Scranton Fire Department, has been identified with the service for more than a quarter of a century and he is a substantial citizen of the community. He was born at Berwick, Pa., Jan. 19, 1880, a son of Samuel Pierce and Helen (Bilby) Harmon.

Samuel Pierce Harmon was born in Montgomery County, Pa. He settled at Berwick during the early days and was a moulder by trade. He died July 27, 1924, and is buried in the Berwick Cemetery. His widow lives at 1346 Munsey Avenue, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Harmon two children were born: Mary Elizabeth, married George E. Edwards, lives in Scranton; and Charles W., the subject of this sketch.

Charles W. Harmon grew up at Berwick and attended the public schools. He worked in the rolling mills for a period of 12 years and came to Scranton in 1894, where he was employed for three years by F. C. Hazzard. Mr. Harmon entered the service of the Scranton Fire Department in 1902. His promotions were as follows: From bunkman to private, Sept. 1, 1906; from private to lieutenant, May 6, 1910; from lieutenant to captain, and battalion chief, April 1, 1914; from battalion chief to second assistant fire chief, Jan. 29, 1918; from second assistant fire chief to first assistant fire chief, Aug. 1, 1926.

Mr. Harmon was married twice. He married Miss Emma Seeds, on March 24, 1914. She was born in Scranton, May 10, 1889, and died April 22, 1919. She is buried in the Dunmore Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. Harmon was married the second time Sept. 8, 1922, to Miss Ruth L. Finn, of Elmhurst, Pa., born Aug. 3, 1892, the daughter of Horace Stephen

and Lucretia (Hayden) Finn, of Elmhurst, Pa. Mr. Finn is a Republican, a member of the Baptist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree. There are eight children in the Finn family: Claude, lives at Elmhurst; Ruth Harmon; Minnie, married Rev. Harold Strathern, Rochester, N. Y.; Mary, married James Simpson, Elmhurst, Pa.; Catherine, married Carl Wilmont, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Irene, lives at home; Albert, and Alberta, twins, and Raymond, deceased. Mr. Harmon has a daughter, Margaret, born in Elmhurst in 1913.

Mr. Harmon is a Republican and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Eagles Lodge. He is also identified with the Pennsylvania State Fireman's Association.

Francis E. Fitzgerald. One of the prominent young men of Scranton is Mr. Fitzgerald, who is librarian at St. Thomas College. He was born at Omaha, Neb., June 14, 1901, and is a son of Michael J. and Elizabeth (DeLacey) Fitzgerald.

Michael J. Fitzgerald was born in Ireland and was a boy of 16 years when he came to the United States and settled in Kansas City, Mo. Later he removed to Omaha, Neb., where he resides at the present time. Mr. Fitzgerald is a government inspector. He is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He married Miss Elizabeth DeLacey, of Elmira, N. Y., and they are the parents of six children: Thomas F., livestock commissioner, Omaha, Neb.; John J., government inspector, Chicago, Ill.; William F., died at the age of 21 years; James F., government inspector, Huron, S. D., is a veteran of the World War, having served in France; Eugene P., laundry proprietor, Omaha, Neb.; and Francis E., the subject of this sketch.

Francis E. Fitzgerald spent his boyhood in Omaha, Neb., and attended St. Agnes parochial school. He was graduated from Creighton High School in 1920 and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the Creighton University of Omaha. He took post-graduate work at the University of Colorado and also attended Columbia University, New York City. Mr. Fitzgerald began as librarian of Creighton University on Aug. 1, 1923, and was connected with that institution until July 31, 1926, when he came to Scranton in his present capacity. He is the first librarian at St. Thomas College and already has been successful in this attempt to build up a library system worthy of this long established college.

On June 11, 1924, Mr. Fitzgerald was united in marriage with Miss Mildred V. Dross, of Omaha, Neb., born Aug. 3, 1906. She is the daughter of Henry C. and Elizabeth (Eggleson) Dross, of Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. Dross are the parents of nine children, of whom Mrs. Fitzgerald is the youngest. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald have a daughter, Mildred Jean, born in Omaha, Feb. 24, 1926.

Mr. Fitzgerald is identified with the American Library Association, the National Educational Association, and the Catholic Educational As-

sociation. He is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 3rd degree. He also belongs to the Phi Gamma Mu fraternity. He holds the commission of first lieutenant in the Officers Reserve Corps. In June 1928 the degree of Master of Arts was conferred on Mr. Fitzgerald by the Creighton University.

L. J. Stonier, a descendant of Revolutionary ancestors, and one of the oldest families of Northeastern Pennsylvania, was born at Tunkhannock, Wyoming County, April 27, 1869.

Mr. Stonier spent his boyhood in Wyoming County, received his education in the district schools, and Wood's Business College. At the age of 18 years he located in Scranton, where he learned the carpenters trade.

Mr. Stonier became one of the city's leading building contractors, and specialized in the building of apartments. Among the largest apartments erected by him were the "Dwight" and "Stanley" and the Stonier apartment, the largest in the city.

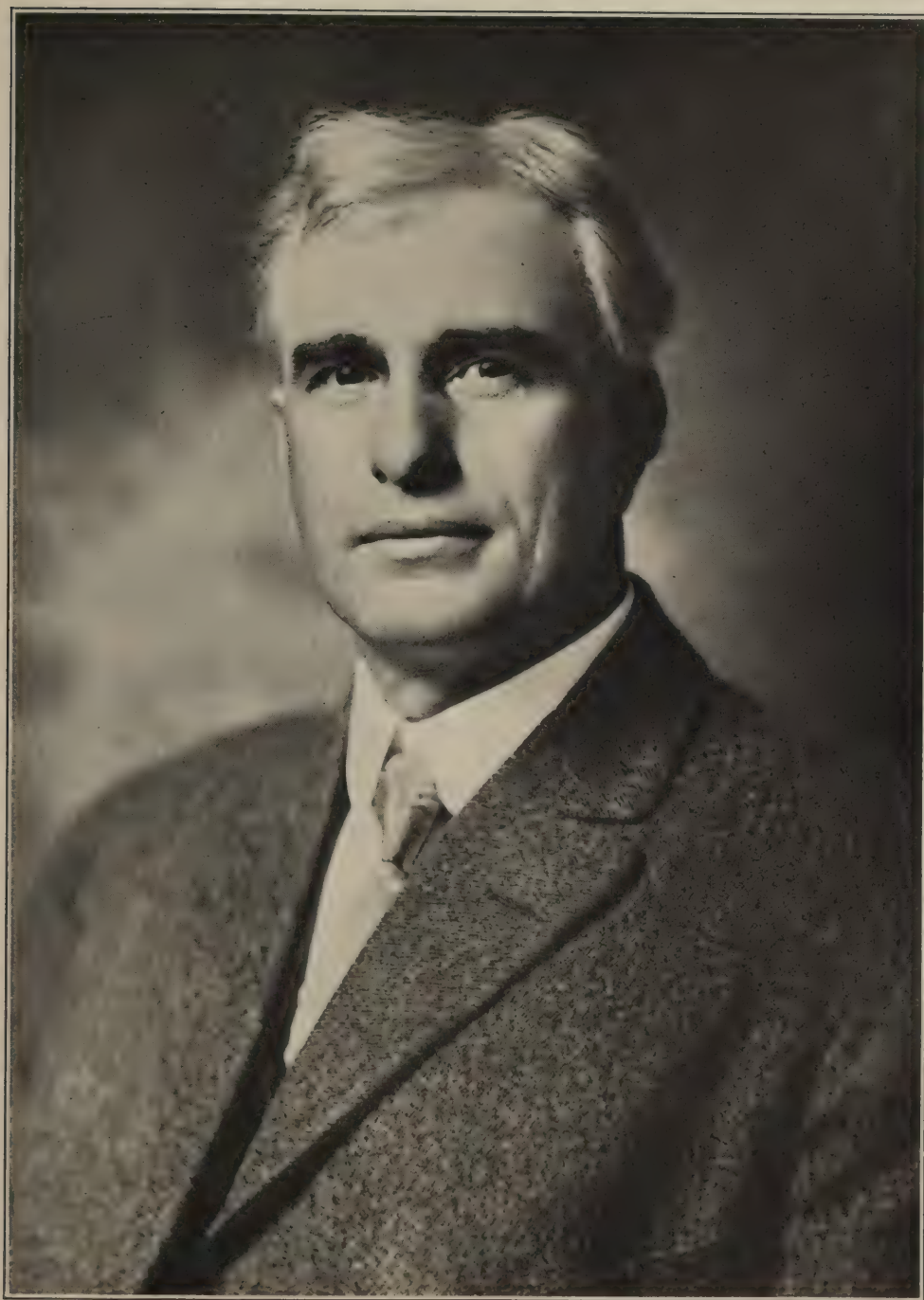
On Nov. 2, 1895, Mr. Stonier was married to Miss Luella J. Hopkins of Newton, Pa., and the niece of Former Register of Wills, W. S. Hopkins. Three sons have blessed their union: William J. and Dwight H., at home. Stanley A., who conducts a garage in Green Ridge. Stanley A. and Florence E. Harding were married June 16, 1924, and have a little daughter, Margie Lou.

Mr. Stonier is a Republican, member of the Asbury Methodist Church, 32nd degree Mason and Green Ridge Lodge of Odd Fellows.

William F. Gibbons, assistant postmaster of Scranton, is among the popular men of the community. He was born at Pittston, Pa., March 26, 1878, the son of Michael Gibbons.

Michael Gibbons came to the United States from Ireland where he was born and was among the earliest settlers of Pittston. Later he removed to Scranton where he engaged in sewer construction for the city. He was also connected with the building of the local water works. Mr. Gibbons was one of the organizers of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Scranton and a founder of the Knights of Labor. He died Dec. 21, 1921, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton.

Williams F. Gibbons received his education in the public schools of Pittston and Wilkes-Barre, being graduated from high school in 1896. He was associated with his father in the contracting business for a short time and entered the government mail service in 1898, as a clerk in the local postoffice. He served as general utility clerk and foreman at the West Scranton station for 17 years, and was appointed assistant postmaster of Scranton in April, 1919. He has served under postmasters Ezra H. Ripple, John E. Barrett, John J. Durkin, and Milton W. Lowry.



L. J. STONIER

Mr. Gibbons has served as national secretary of the United National Association of Post Office Clerks, in which he holds life membership.

On July 25, 1900, Mr. Gibbons was united in marriage with Miss Nellie Price, who was born at Archbald, Pa., in October, 1880.

Mr. Gibbons is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and belongs to the Scranton Chamber of Commerce, Knights of Columbus, Elks Lodge and Y. M. I.

Patrick H. Walker, M. D., who has practiced his profession for over 20 years in Scranton with honor and exceptional ability, is one of the city's broad minded and public spirited citizens. He was born at Olyphant, Pa., March 7, 1878, the son of John and Catherine (Connor) Walker.

John Walker, deceased, was a native of Ireland, born in County Mayo. He came to the United States in 1855 and settled at Olyphant. He was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. He died in 1905 and his wife died in 1922. They are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunmore. Mr. and Mrs. Walker were the parents of nine children, all of whom are deceased, except Patrick H., the subject of this sketch.

After his graduation from the public schools of Olyphant in 1898, Patrick H. Walker completed a course at Wood's Business College, Scranton. After a medical course at Baltimore Medical College, from which he received his degree as Doctor of Medicine in 1904, he served as interne in the Maryland General Hospital. He established his offices in Scranton in 1906, and has continued there to the present time as a physician and surgeon.

In December, 1906, Dr. Walker was united in marriage with Miss Gertrude Foley, of Daleville, Pa., born April 11, 1886, the daughter of Daniel and Bridget (Moore) Foley. Mr. Foley, who lives retired at Daleville, is a native of Wayne County, Pa. His wife, who was born in Owego, N. Y., died in 1917. They were the parents of the following children: Lizzie, married Richard McAndrew, lives at Daleville, Pa.; John, lives in Scranton; Minnie, married Cornelius Ruddy, lives at Minooka; Margaret, married Arthur O'Boyle, lives at Gouldsboro, Pa.; Gertrude Walker; Claire, teacher, lives in Scranton; and Lenora, married Patrick Higgins, Jr., lives at Minooka, Pa. Dr. and Mrs. Walker have two children: Richard, born in Scranton, Nov. 9, 1907, was graduated from Central High School in 1925, now a medical student at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.; and Gertrude, born in Scranton, Sept. 1, 1909, was graduated from Central High School in 1927, now attends Westchester State Normal School.

Dr. Walker has always been a Republican. He is a member of the Catholic Church and is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and American Medical Association. During the World War he served as an examining physician on draft board No. 3.

Edmund B. Lewis, who is connected with the Scranton Fire Department as assistant chief, is a native of Wales. He was born April 21, 1878, the son of William E. and Hannah (Bonna) Lewis.

William E. Lewis, deceased, was a native of Wales, as was his wife. They were early settlers of Scranton, where Mr. Lewis was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as mine foreman for many years. He died in 1910 and his wife died in 1916. They are buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis had two sons: Henry, lives in Philadelphia; and Edmund B., the subject of this sketch. Mr. Lewis was a Republican and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Edmund B. Lewis was a child when his parents came to this country and settled in Scranton. He attended the public schools of this city and for a number of years was employed in the coal mines. He entered the service of the local fire department when 22 years of age. In July, 1903, he was promoted to captain, was made battalion chief in May, 1914, second assistant fire chief, Feb. 1, 1917, and first assistant chief, Jan. 29, 1918. He lives at 1312 Luzerne Street.

In 1899 Mr. Lewis married Miss Elizabeth Jones, of Pittston, Pa., born March 8, 1878. She is the daughter of Richard and Sarah (Jenkins) Jones, natives of Wales. Mr. Jones died in 1909 and is buried at Pittston. His widow lives in Scranton. They had three children: Elizabeth Lewis; Sarah, lives in Connecticut; and Selina, the widow of George Hankins, lives in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have been born three children: William, born in October, 1900; Henry W., born in November, 1901; and Dorothy, born in 1912.

Mr. Lewis is a Republican, a member of the Welsh Baptist Church and belongs to the Elk and Eagle lodges. He has been connected with the Firemen's Relief and Pension Board since 1909. He has an extensive acquaintance in the community and is well liked.

Dr. Edward W. Whalen is one of the most prominent of the younger physicians and surgeons of Scranton, where he was born, Dec. 10, 1899. He is the son of James and Ellen (Barrett) Whalen.

James Whalen, who lives in Scranton, is a native of Ireland. He was among the early settlers of this city, where he has been employed for many years by the Burke Brothers Construction Company as a steam shovel engineer. He is a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. His wife was also born in Ireland. They are the parents of five children: Margaret, married Frank Eagen, mortician, lives at Minooka, Pa.; Mary, lives at home; William, died at the age of 14 years; James, died in infancy; and Edward W., the subject of this sketch.

Edward W. Whalen received his early education in the public schools of Scranton and was graduated from Central High School in 1917. He then completed a course at Stroudsburg State Normal School in 1919, after which he prepared for the study of medicine at the Catholic Uni-

versity, Washington, D. C. He also spent two years at George Washington University and subsequently entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1925. He served as interne in the Scranton State Hospital and since August, 1926, has engaged in private practice in Scranton. Dr. Whalen is a member of the staff of the Scranton State Hospital and also of the Pennsylvania Tuberculosis clinic.

Dr. Whalen is identified with the American, Pennsylvania State and Lackawanna County Medical Society, and belongs to the Phi Rho Sigma and Alpha Omega Alpha fraternities. He is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

Dr. William D. Whitehead, Jr., is one of the successful and well known young physicians of Scranton, where he specializes in the treatment of skin diseases. He was born at Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 8, 1896, the son of William D. and Nancy (Smith) Whitehead.

William D. Whitehead, who lives retired at Memphis, is a native of Tennessee., born at Lavenia, and settled in Memphis in 1880. He is a Democrat, a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Knights of Pythias. His wife was born at Mayfield, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead have the following children: Esther, married R. R. Hinnant, U. S. Navy, stationed at Los Angeles, Calif.; Margaret, married W. B. Hopkins, Southern Pacific Railroad, Los Angeles, Cal.; Harry, lives at Atlanta, Ga., is a veteran of the World War, having served with the aviation corps; Portland, lives at Memphis, Tenn.; and William D., Jr., the subject of this sketch.

William D. Whitehead, Jr., received his early education in the public schools of Memphis and Knoxville, Tenn. He was graduated from the University of Tennessee with the degree of Bachelor of Science, in 1917. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1921, from the University of Tennessee and served as interne in the Philadelphia General Hospital from 1921 to 1923. He spent the following two years as assistant physician at Columbia University and during that time was also associated with Dr. Howard Fox, noted skin specialist. On April 8, 1925, Dr. Whitehead located in Scranton, and has offices at 203 Comerford Building, Wyoming and Linden streets. Dr. Whitehead is also connected with the staffs of Hahnemann Hospital and the State Department of Health.

On June 2, 1927, Dr. Whitehead was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Davis, of Scranton, born Aug. 28, 1899, the daughter of William H. and Gwendolyn Davis, natives of Wales, and early settlers of Scranton. Mr. Davis, who died Oct. 9, 1925, was a Republican, a member of the Plymouth Congregational Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. His widow lives in Scranton. They were the parents of four children: Herbert, lives in Scranton; Florence, married Gordon Williams, lives in

Scranton; Pearl, married Samuel Voris, lives in New York City; and Elizabeth Whitehead.

Dr. Whitehead volunteered for service during the World War on Dec. 10, 1917, and was attached to the Medical Reserve Corps, at Memphis, Tenn.

Dr. Whitehead is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State and American Medical Associations. He is a Republican and holds membership in the Presbyterian Church.

R. H. Thompson.—Prominent among the substantial business men and representative citizens of Carbondale, Pa., is Mr. Thompson, who is past president of the Jermyn Business Men's Association, and a leading furniture dealer of Lackawanna County. He was born at Jermyn, July 3, 1895, and is the son of James and Martha (Baker) Thompson.

James Thompson was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and is the son of James and Margaret Thompson, who were early settlers of Lackawanna County. "Jimmy" Thompson, as he was familiarly known, was prominent in the political life of Carbondale for many years. His son, James Thompson has spent his entire life in this section and is connected with the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company as a mine contractor. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have five children: Mrs. H. H. Pearce, lives at Carbondale; Robert, Carbondale; R. H., the subject of this sketch; Francis, lives at Easton, Pa.; and Lillian, married William Owens, lives at Carbondale.

R. H. Thompson was educated in the public schools of Jermyn, and when 16 years of age began as office boy with the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company. He later spent five years in the employ of the National Cash Register Company at Scranton, and afterwards represented the same company for two years at Richmond, Va. He became interested in the furniture business at Shamokin, Pa., as office manager for T. H. Lippiatt & Son, later becoming a member of the firm. In February, 1925, Mr. Thompson came to Jermyn and organized his present business. In February, 1928, they moved the present business to Carbondale, Pa., to larger quarters. This is the largest store of its kind in the city, located in the P. F. Hughes Building, extending from Main to Church Streets, and three stories high, with 24 model rooms.

On June 25, 1912, Mr. Thompson was united in marriage with Miss May Ritter, of Archbald, the daughter of John and Phoebe (Honey) Ritter, both deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Thompson two children were born, James and Jane, both deceased.

Mr. Thompson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Green Ridge Lodge F. & A. M. No. 597, and Keystone Consistory A. A. S. R., 32nd degree, of Scranton, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Jermyn, Kiwanis Club of Carbondale, Craftman's Club of



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Carbondale. He is one of the founders of the Jermyn Business Men's Association and has served as president since its organization. Mr. Thompson is a Republican.

Philip V. Mattes is among the most capable and prominent attorneys of Scranton. He was born in this city, Oct. 14, 1887, and is the son of William F. and Mary L. (Van Cleef) Mattes.

William F. Mattes was a leading citizen of Scranton for many years. He was born here, Sept. 29, 1849, and was the son of Charles Frederick Mattes. After completing his education in the public schools, Mr. Mattes became interested in the study of engineering and in 1866 was employed by the city as an engineer in charge of city surveys. In 1867-73 he served as city engineer and was also head of a branch railway in New Jersey. From 1873-77 he was identified with blast furnaces in Virginia. From 1877-82 he was interested in private engineering projects; from 1882-88 was chief engineer for the Lackawanna Iron & Steel Works; from 1888-93 was chief engineer and general manager of the West Superior Iron & Steel Company of West Superior, Wis.; from 1893-96 he was in charge of gold mining operations at Ouray, Colo.; from 1900-02 was chief engineer for the Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railroad Company and thereafter acted as general manager for the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company until its dissolution shortly before his death on Feb. 3, 1917. He was married in 1875 to Miss Margaret Crittenden of Dover, N. J., who died within the year. On Dec. 16, 1886, he was married to Miss Mary Lillibridge Van Cleef of Scranton, daughter of Dr. Augustus Van Cleef, a Civil War veteran. Mrs. Mattes died Sept. 15, 1923. William F. Mattes was a life-long active member of the Presbyterian Church and for many years was prominent in Y. M. C. A. work, having organized the branch at Dover, N. J.

Charles Frederick Mattes was the father of William Frederick Mattes and was born at Easton, Pa., May 26, 1819. He received a common school education and at an early age took a position with the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company, the concern chiefly responsible for the founding of the City of Scranton, and spent the balance of his long life in that company's service. He quickly won promotion, finally becoming vice-president and general manager. He took an active part in the religious and political life of the community, as a leading member of the First Presbyterian Church and for many years a member of the City Council. He was married in 1846 to Lydia Maria Platt. He died in 1895, leaving a large family of whom William F. Mattes was eldest.

Philip Henry Mattes was the father of Charles F. Mattes and was born at Kirckheim, Germany, Feb. 20, 1785. He came to the United States with his parents, sailing from Amsterdam, June 24, 1794, and landing at Philadelphia, Sept. 5, 1794. Philip H. Mattes fitted himself for the ministry and studied theology under a noted scholar, Rev. Dr.

Christian Endreos at Easton, where the Mattes family had located. In May, 1807, he applied to the Synod at Lancaster for a license which was granted him but later, due to ill health, gave up his vocation. In April, 1809, he was appointed deputy registrar of wills of Northampton County. On May 8, 1813, he was appointed postmaster at Easton and served in that capacity for 16 years. In 1827 he was made manager and cashier of the Easton branch of the Bank of Pennsylvania. In 1845 he was elected registrar of wills. In 1848 he was elected treasurer of the Easton Gas & Water Company, serving for 20 years. He was one of the organizers of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company, that undertook in 1840, to develop an industrial city from the farms and forests at the juncture of the Lackawanna River and Roaring Brook, now the City of Scranton. In 1851 he was commissioned by Governor Johnson as a member of the committee in charge of Pennsylvania exhibits at the London industrial exhibition. In 1849 he was instrumental in the building of the railroad to Great Bend, Pa. He married Catherine Herster, May 21, 1809. She was the daughter of Andrew Herster who was a sergeant of an Easton company of infantry that was captured at the Battle of Long Island in August, 1776 and died in captivity. Philip H. Mattes died May 19, 1870, leaving two sons, Charles and Henry, and several daughters.

John Mattes, father of Philip Henry Mattes, came to the United States from Germany in 1794 and made his home at Easton, Pa., where he died Sept. 23, 1809.

Philip V. Mattes received his early education in the public schools of Scranton and later attended Princeton and Cornell universities. After his admission to the bar of Lackawanna County in 1912 he engaged in general legal practice in Scranton and in January, 1921, formed a partnership with Morgan S. Kaufman, Referee in Bankruptcy and a prominent lawyer. Later Assistant District Attorney J. Julius Levy became a member of the firm. During the time that the city was suffering severely from mine-caves, Philip V. Mattes became counsel for the Scranton Surface Protective Association and drafted and assisted in the passage of legislation in 1921 regulating coal mining in the interest of safety. He originated the theory of the "Third Estate" as applied to titles to mineral lands, since approved by the Supreme Court, which affords safety from mine-caves to important sections of the city. In 1921 he ran for delegate to the proposed constitutional convention and received the nomination but the convention was never held, the plan having been defeated by popular referendum. In 1917 he served as Democratic City Chairman and in 1922, upon the election of John Durkan as mayor, he was appointed city solicitor and served throughout Mayor Durkan's term of four years. During this time he drafted the city zoning ordinance and prepared a volume containing a digest of the city ordinances.

On April 22, 1914, Philip V. Mattes was married to Miss Gertrude Elizabeth Russ, daughter of George H. and Eliza (Camp) Russ of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Mattes have four children: Gertrude, Philip, Marion

and Roger, the latter born Sept. 4, 1927. During the World War Mr. Mattes volunteered for service and was at Fort Monroe, Va., at the time of the Armistice.

Since 1918, Mr. Mattes has been secretary and a director of the Lackawanna Bar Association. He is a member of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church; American Bar Association; Peter Williamson Lodge, F. & A. Masons; Coeur de Lion Commandery, Knights Templar; Elks; Scranton Club; Scranton Canoe Club; Green Ridge Club; American Legion; "40 and 8"; and Chamber of Commerce.

Jilson J. Coleman.—It is well within the bounds of a conservative statement to say that Jilson J. Coleman, operating vice president and general manager of the Scranton Railway Company is one of the pioneers in the consolidation of electric railway properties that have proved so beneficial to the industry. More than 25 years ago he assisted in consolidating the six local properties in St. Louis, Mo., into the St. Louis Transit Company and later was identified with the organization that consolidated and rehabilitated the Washington, D. C., railway, about which more will be said later in this article.

It was apparently in the scheme of things in the beginning for Mr. Coleman to be a street railway operator. He was born on a farm near Georgetown, Ky., June 2, 1861. His father was at one time a steamboat captain, operating between Louisville, Ky., and New Orleans, La., on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. When he was a little fellow the stories that his father told of the "good old steamboat days" made a big impression on him. In his boyish way he planned on being a "captain" too, but it fell to his lot to be a captain in the street railway industry instead of a river boat. Up until the time that the Coleman family left the farm in Bullitt County, 17 miles from Louisville, when he was nine years old, the only education that Mr. Coleman received was from his mother and a governess. After locating in Louisville he entered the public schools and remained until he was 14 years old, when he left school to become office boy at \$20 per month for the Louisville Rolling Mills Company, which was organized by his father and other members of the family in the late 50's or early 60's. Then in 1878, when street railways used mules, drivers, and no conductors on what was termed the "bob-tailed" cars, Mr. Coleman entered the employ of the Central Passenger Railway Company of Louisville, and his duties were to "draw" the fare boxes. He worked for this company four years and then moved to New Albany, Ind., where he operated the railroad for two years. His next railroad venture was with Tom L. and Albert L. Johnson at Cleveland, Ohio, where in the years 1889 and 1890 they changed over the old horse car system to electric traction. Mr. Coleman was superintendent and after the completion of this work, Albert L. Johnson and Coleman moved to Allentown and built a number of interurban lines connecting Allen-

town and the surrounding communities. At that time Tom L. and Albert L. Johnson formed an alliance with R. T. Wilson & Company and purchased the Yonkers (N. Y.) Street Railway and Mr. Coleman devoted a year and a half to rehabilitating that property. Then Messrs. Wilson and Johnson acquired the Nassau Railroad of Brooklyn, N. Y., and after finishing the Yonkers Mr. Coleman was transferred to Brooklyn and completed the construction work and opened the railroad and operated it for two years. During that period and at intervals, Mr. Coleman made investigations and reports for Brown Brothers, bankers, on various street railroad enterprises and in 1900 he was sent to St. Louis, where he assisted in the consolidation of six local properties into the St. Louis Transit Company.

Mr. Coleman's next move was to Washington, D. C., where he assisted in the consolidation and rehabilitation of the railway there. Following the death of Albert L. Johnson, Mr. Coleman took charge of some properties which he had in New Jersey and consolidated them into an interurban system operating out of Trenton, known as the New Jersey & Pennsylvania Traction Company. Later, Mr. Coleman built an interurban line in Indiana from Marion to Wabash. Following that he did consulting work up to the time of the World War, when he associated himself with A. Merritt Taylor, Director of Transportation of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, covering territory extending from Boston, Mass., to Houston, Texas. His duties with the government were to see that the proper transportation facilities were afforded to shop yard workers. Upon leaving the government service, Jan. 1, 1920, Mr. Coleman went to Scranton and became general manager of the Scranton Railway Company. On April 1, 1925, he was given the title of vice president of the company as well as general manager. On Nov. 19, 1926, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Street Railway Association, held at Philadelphia, Mr. Coleman was unanimously elected president to succeed Frank R. Phillips, resigned.

Mr. Coleman married Miss Mary Rice, now deceased. She was the daughter of Patrick Rice of New Albany, Ind., and they have three children: William, Thomas, and Helen, all at home.

Mr. Coleman is a Republican, a member of the Elks lodge, Engineering Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Kentucky Society of New York, American Electric Railway Association, Scranton Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Kiwanis Club.

Daniel R. Reese.—It was wholly impossible to hide the light of the useful life and experience of Daniel R. Reese, for its rays were certain to break through the mists of circumstance and to illuminate a very broad path for the inspiration of all who ever knew him or may read about him. That he is successful today as an attorney at law in charge of important legal responsibilities, is due to the fact that while a breaker

boy in the mines he made a courageous effort to exercise new powers that he believed himself the possessor of, and the results have been a means of encouraging him to further attainment in his profession. And both as a miner and a corporation counsel he has made and kept a host of friends, who have witnessed and applauded the triumphs of his persevering and heroic spirit.

Daniel R. Reese, the son of William R. and Ann (Williams) Reese, was born in Wales, Sept. 16, 1868, and when he was two years old his parents came to the United States with their five children, and settled at Taylor, Pa., where they had made their home only six months when the coal miners went on strike. As a result, the family faced the problems of utter poverty, and after struggling along for six years at Taylor, they removed to Plymouth, a town 19 miles from Scranton, where Daniel R. went to school when he was five years of age. When he had reached the age of nine he left school and became a breaker boy, and for three years he picked slate for 35 cents for a ten hour day. He was then made a door-tender in the mine, when only 12 years old, receiving an advance of ten cents. He learned all that there was to be learned about coal mining, and when he was 20 years of age he passed the miner's examinations. But the work of mining coal was unreliable, and Mr. Reese was unable to lay aside any adequate sum of money for his cherished plans. Yet he continued to be a miner after his marriage, and as such was earning \$30 to \$55 a month. It was then that he began to interest himself in a programme of study, with hopes for bettering his prospects, and he spent a few dollars on books, which he took with him 1500 feet below the surface when he took his new pumping job in the mines, and where he studied English and United States History, arithmetic, algebra, and grammar, from nine until two o'clock. He became a stationary engineer, at a day job, and thereby he was enabled to study at home nights, as well as to do some studying in the mines during the day; and he thus read many a chapter of history, and worked out mathematical problems in the intervals between the starting of the engine and the arrival of cars at their destination. He was a good speaker, and upon occasions he preached, and it was understood that he might enter the ministry. But instead, he chose the law for his vocation; and one day word came to him that the Dickinson School of Law, at Carlisle, would register pupils for a two-year course, the offer to be in force but one year. No money had been saved from his meagre wages, but his wife became equal to the emergency, and offered to do dressmaking to help her husband in his college expenses. Working out a budget for home and college expenses, they found that \$300 was the smallest sum that could be figured on for the first college semester, for his college expenses, and the maintenance of the family at home, the wife and two small children. After much deliberation, Daniel's father endorsed his note, and he was enabled to borrow the entire amount, and with the exception of \$60, which he left with his wife, he took the remainder, and went to Dickinson, where he

rented a room at 75 cents a week; and joining a cooperative eating club, composed of poor students, they hired a cook who sold them their meals at six cents a meal. Meantime sickness visited his little home, and his faithful wife, though writing cheerful letters, was a heroine in her poverty and sorrows. Many distressful scenes occurred while both these faithful people were struggling towards their goal; both felt the severe pinch of getting along almost without a penny, always hungry and continually in want of the necessities of life.

Eventually, there was no more money forthcoming for Mr. Reese's tuition, but Dr. William Trickett became cognizant of the situation, and he was told to proceed with his education, finish his course, and to pay for his tuition after graduation. In June, 1899, Mr. Reese was graduated from the law school, and while there he had spent but ten cents for recreation, that being for a lecture that was given by Colonel Henry Watterson, of the Louisville "Courier-Journal," on his personal recollections of Abraham Lincoln. More struggle with the hard lines of life followed, before Mr. Reese obtained his foothold. He became a messenger, and had his office in the room occupied by his brother and two other lawyers, though he himself had no desk. Mr. Reese was formally admitted to the Luzerne County bar, Dec. 16, 1899, and in the spring of 1902, he was given a position in the coal-mining department of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. Upon the reorganization of the company's legal department, he was made the executive of his own department for the State of Pennsylvania, and he made himself of great value to his company. His reputation as an attorney spread throughout the State; he was made responsible for all the litigation in the State affecting the railroad, including the road's coal mining interests. His first big job for the company was to give his opinion upon the question of the taking over by the road of the very mines where he had spent so many years of his life, and he made a full report to the company against their purchase. Six years after his graduation from the law school, the last of his debts were paid, and he faced the world free and unfettered. It was through his large cooperation that the Lackawanna Trail was built, a State highway constructed on land given by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The trail, which was under construction during 1918-1922, is 33 miles in length, of concrete base, and seven added miles of solid concrete road, and its cost was \$2,000,000.

Mr. Reese is president of the Lackawanna Trail Association; president, since 1919, of the Lackawanna Motor Club, the largest but one in the State; vice-president of the American Automobile Association; vice-president of the Pennsylvania Motor Federation; president and member of the board of directors of the Scranton Safety Council; president of the Abington Hills Country Club; president and director of the board of trustees of the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane; member of the Scranton Rotary Club; member of the Pennsylvania Society; and of the St. David's Society of Scranton.

Daniel R. Reese married Catherine Florence Hague, a daughter of Rev. John Hague, a Baptist clergyman, and Mary (Davis) Hague. Mr. and Mrs. Reese have three children: 1. Lenore Florence, a graduate of the Bloomsburg State Normal School, spent seven years as a student of the voice with various instructors, and is soloist at the First Emmanuel Baptist Church, at Scranton. 2. Weston Roger, a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1919. 3. Margaret, a graduate in Art of the Philadelphia School of Design for Women.

Mr. Reese gives all the credit of his success to his wife who so ably assisted him, working as a seamstress from 14 to 16 hours a day while he was in school, besides being cook, laundress, and nurse to their two babies. In the American Magazine of September, 1924, appeared a lengthy article on the life of Mr. Reese.

Maurice T. Miller.—One of the progressive business men of Scranton is found in Maurice T. Miller, president of the Miller Casket Company, whose important manufacturing interests in Lackawanna County affect the industrial prosperity of several cities. Mr. Miller was born at Jermy, Lackawanna County, Pa., Feb. 17, 1874, son of T. M. and Sarah (Foster) Miller, the latter of whom survives. The father of Mr. Miller died at Scranton in 1909. For many years he operated a factory there for the manufacture of burial caskets, building up a large business in a line in which he had been a pioneer in this section.

Maurice T. Miller attended the public schools and took a course in a business college before becoming associated with his father, and learned the trade of casket-maker in his father's factory. When his father died in 1909, he assumed responsibility, successfully carrying on the business. On Sept. 17, 1915, he organized the Miller Casket Company, of which he has been president ever since. The directors of the company are all substantial business men, seven in number: M. T. Miller, R. R. Miller, D. H. Justin, Samuel Ginader, H. A. Neimeyer, A. E. Connell and Charles H. Genter. The business of the company covers the manufacturing, buying and selling of caskets, furnishing supplies, goods, merchandise and material appertaining to caskets, and the products are distributed all through Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey. The first location of the Scranton plant was on Pennsylvania Avenue, but in 1917 removal was made to their present location on Capouse Avenue, where two floors are occupied with 50,000 square feet of floor space. The bulk of the manufacturing is done in the factory at Jermy, where 86,000 square feet are afforded, and in addition the company has a handsome display building at Wilkes-Barre. The plants are all of modern equipment, and the company is a leader in its line in this state.

In political life, Mr. Miller is a Republican. In Masonry, he is a member of Hyde Park Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and belongs also to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal

Order of Eagles. For the past six years he has been treasurer of the Casket Manufacturers' Association of America.

Mr. Miller was married, in 1902, to Mary Harris, a daughter of Job and Elizabeth Harris, of Scranton, and they have two children: Theodore H., born in 1903; and Mary H., born in 1913. Mr. Miller and his family attend the Presbyterian Church.

G. Philip Saxer, M. D.—A member of the medical profession distinguished by more than 27 years of service at Fleetville is Dr. Philip Saxer, a native of Philadelphia. He was born Aug. 5, 1874, the son of Philip F. and Sophia (Kopp) Saxer.

Philip F. Saxer is a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Camden, N. J., and for many years was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a general mechanic. He is living retired at Philadelphia, Pa. He is a Republican and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Sophia (Kopp) Saxer was born in Brazil, South America, of German and French parentage. She was the daughter of Karl Kopp, who at one time was superintendent of Don Pedro's farms in Brazil. During the revolution he came to the United States with Don Pedro's retinue and settled in New Jersey. To Mr. and Mrs. Saxer the following children were born: G. Philip, the subject of this sketch; Charles, superintendent of one of the large Philadelphia Hosiery Mills, Philadelphia; Anna; Elizabeth, married Will Burt, Ph. D. He is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, lives in Philadelphia; Catherine, deceased; and Philip, lives in Philadelphia.

G. Philip Saxer acquired his early education in the public schools of Philadelphia. He learned the printing trade and for some time was employed as a proof reader by a medical publishing house in Philadelphia. Later he became interested in theatrical work and travelled throughout Europe with the Pogy-O'Brien Circus. He ended his tour in Berlin, where he left the show and entered the University of Berlin, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1896. Throughout his college career he spent much time in the translation of English medical books into German. Dr. Saxer returned to the United States in 1897 and after taking post graduate courses in several medical colleges, he engaged in practice in Philadelphia. He devoted much of his time to travel and lecture work, being registered to practice medicine in Texas, Arkansas, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. In April, 1900, Dr. Saxer came to Fleetville, where he succeeded in the practice of Doctor Van C. Decker, of Nicholson. He was a member of the Wyoming County Medical Society, Pennsylvania Medical Society, and American Medical Association. He has served as a member of the Board of Health and during the World War was a member of both the local and district draft boards. At the time of the epidemic of influenza he was instrumental in



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curbing that disease at Forest City, Vandling, and Browntown, where he worked untiringly.

In 1895 Dr. Saxer married Miss Anna Harmoning, the daughter of Philip Harmoning. She died in 1900, leaving a daughter, Anna, who is the wife of Stanley VanGelder, of Binghamton, N. Y. Dr. Saxer was married the second time to Miss Hariet Delevan, the daughter of James Delevan, of Benton Township, Lackawanna County. Dr. and Mrs. Saxer have a son, George Philip, Jr., who attends Waverly High School.

Dr. Saxer is a Republican, and is affiliated with Nicholson Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 438; Factoryville Chapter, R. A. M., No. 205; Scranton Council, P. and S. M. M. No. 68; Malita Commandery, K. T. No. 44; Keystone Consistory, 32nd degree; Irem Temple and Irem Country Club, Wilkes-Barre; and Irem Relief Fund.

A feat, reminiscent of the circus career of Dr. Saxer during his youth, was performed by him in 1900, when he made two balloon and parachute drops at the Fleetville fair, after the professional balloonists failed to possess the required courage.

Leo A. Nealon, M. D., has given but eight years to the practice of his profession, but those years have been very successful ones, a result of most careful preparation for his profession when a student, followed by continued study, keen observation, and painstaking care. He is a specialist in obstetrics and anesthesia in Scranton, with offices at 424 Prospect Avenue. Dr. Nealon was born in this city, April 10, 1893, the son of William J. and Mary (Gillespie) Nealon.

William J. Nealon, who lives retired in Scranton, is well known in this city. He was born in Ireland and came to this country many years ago. He was prominent in Scranton as a merchant and hotel proprietor, and was also connected with several banking institutions. Mr. Nealon is a Republican and a member of the Catholic Church. His wife is a native of Scranton. They are the parents of five children: Leo A., the subject of this sketch; Irene, married Charles Hoffecker, lives in Scranton; Molly, married Martin Hays, lives in Scranton; William J., Jr., lives in Scranton; and Margaret, married Peter Irwin, lives in Scranton.

The early education of Leo A. Nealon was obtained in the parochial schools of Scranton and he was graduated from St. Thomas College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1912. He was graduated from the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1917 and spent the following year as an interne in the Scranton State Hospital. The following year was spent as chief resident physician and surgeon of that institution, and in 1919 Dr. Nealon engaged in private practice in Scranton. He has served as deputy coroner of Lackawanna County and as Medical Examiner for the Scranton schools. He is also assistant obstetrician at the Scranton State Hospital, and special anesthetist at Mercy Hospital, and Mary Keller Hospital. He is identified with the International

Anesthesia Research Society and belongs to the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and American Medical Association.

On June 21, 1922, Dr. Nealon married Miss Grace M. Ferguson, who was born at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Aug. 30, 1901, the daughter of Corey and Margaret (Barrett) Ferguson, of Wilkes-Barre. There are three children in the Ferguson family: Theraron, lives at Wilkes-Barre; Grace M. Nealon; and John, lives at Wilkes-Barre. Dr. and Mrs. Nealon have a daughter, Mary Grace, born in Scranton, Jan. 23, 1925.

Doctor and Mrs. Nealon are members of the Catholic Church. He is a Republican in politics.

John J. Brown, who is successfully engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Dunmore, represents one of the prominent families of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dunmore, Oct. 31, 1882, and is the son of Thomas and Margaret (Curry) Brown.

Thomas Brown, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He was born at West Meath in 1850, the son of John and Jane (Burke) Brown. He spent his boyhood on his father's farm and was educated in the National schools of Ireland. About 1870 he emigrated to the United States and settled in Connecticut, later removing to Scranton, where he was employed by the Pennsylvania Coal Company as a miner. He mastered the details of the coal industry and afterwards formed a partnership with A. J. and M. J. Murray, and George Jackson. They sank a shaft and succeeded in reaching the Clark drift and then built a breaker. A new breaker was built in 1892. Mr. Brown died Oct. 4, 1895, and is buried in Dunmore. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Brown took an active interest in the business and in partnership with John Carney, purchased the Murray and Jackson interests, and conducted the business under the name of Carney & Brown. She disposed of her interests in June, 1926. She resides in Dunmore. Mrs. Brown is a native of Ulster County, Ireland, the daughter of James and Catherine (Brennan) Curry. The Curry family came to this country in 1871 and located at Dunmore, where Mr. Curry was associated with the Pennsylvania Coal Company until his death in 1885. To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown, who were married Jan. 25, 1881, four children were born: John J., the subject of this sketch; Catherine, lives at Dunmore; Nellie, bacteriologist, Loyola University, Chicago, Ill.; and Agnes, married Harold Swift, lives at Pelham, N. Y. Mr. Brown was a Democrat and a member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, Dunmore. He was one of the organizers of the Dunmore Electric Light, Heat & Power Company, and was serving as a director at the time of his death.

John J. Brown attended St. Cecelia's College, Scranton, and in 1902 was graduated from Mount St. Mary's College, Emmettsburg, Md. After leaving college he was associated with the Carney & Brown Coal Com-

pany, and was serving as general manager in 1926, when he and his mother withdrew from the business. He has since been interested in the real estate and insurance business, with offices in the Fidelity Bank Building, Dunmore.

In 1909, Mr. Brown was united in marriage with Miss Louise Collins, the daughter of Hon. Frank Collins. Mr. Collins, deceased, was a leading attorney of Lackawanna County and served as a member of the Pennsylvania State Legislature. Mrs. Brown is a niece of Bishop Garvey, of Altoona, Pa., and Dr. James B. Garvey. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have two sons: Thomas, born in 1912, attends St. Thomas College; and Frank, born in 1915, attends St. Cecelia's School.

Mr. Brown is a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Knights of Columbus, and Catholic Club.

Dudley Ray Atherton, vice president of the Traders National Bank, is a leading business man and influential citizen of Scranton. He was born at South Montrose, Susquehanna County, Pa., Dec. 3, 1878, and is the son of Bicknell Bennett and Amanda (Safford) Atherton.

A complete biography of the Atherton family in Scranton appears elsewhere in this history.

Dudley Ray Atherton attended the public and high schools of Scranton and started his business career as a bookkeeper with the Providence Gas and Water Company, with whom he remained until May 1, 1898. He then went with the Third National Bank of Scranton as a bookkeeper and in 1905 became associated with Hollingshead & Campbell, dealers in commercial paper of New York City. On July 1, 1908, Mr. Atherton was appointed cashier of the North Scranton Bank, and served in this capacity until Oct. 1, 1915, at which time he accepted the vice-presidency of the Traders National Bank. His rise has been consistent and well earned. His present position is one in which his years of experience, sound judgment and self-reliance mean much. He is highly regarded by Scranton's financiers, holds the esteem and confidence of a very wide circle of friends, and is a member of the executive council of the Pennsylvania Bankers Association.

On April 24, 1906, Mr. Atherton was married to Miss Annie Miscally, the daughter of Edwin F. and Barbara L. Miscally, of Charleston, S. C. The Miscally family is among the prominent old Southern families of Charleston, where Mr. Miscally is a leading jeweler. Mr. and Mrs. Atherton have a son, Dudley Ray, II., born July 22, 1908.

Mr. Atherton was for many years a trustee of the Providence Presbyterian Church, and is now a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the Sons of the Revolution, Pennsylvania Society of New York, Scranton Country Club, Kiwanis Club, Elks Lodge, Chamber of Commerce and belongs to the Peter Williamson Lodge, F. & A. M. and Irem Temple Shrine.

Harry F. Van Horn, one of the popular and successful merchants of Dalton, is a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Dunmore, Dec. 17, 1890, a son of Frank B. and Sidney M. (Wilcox) Van Horn.

Frank B. Van Horn, who lives in Scranton, was born in Iowa, in 1865. He was reared on a farm and at an early age came east to Pennsylvania and settled at Dunmore, where he became a successful building contractor. He retired in 1924. Mr. Van Horn is a Republican and belongs to the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and P. O. S. A. His wife was born at Hamlin, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Van Horn have six children, as follows: Harry F., the subject of this sketch; Myrtle, married J. C. Richards, lives in Scranton; Frank R., lives in Carbondale; Oliver, Ralph and Grace, all at home.

Harry F. Van Horn spent his boyhood in Dunmore and attended the public schools. After his graduation from high school in 1907 he entered Powell's Business College. He then entered the employ of the Erie Railroad Company as an electrician and in 1912 became interested in the automobile business at Clarks Summit, Pa., where he spent seven years as representative and agent for the Chevrolet automobile. He sold his business in 1919 to Lewis Brothers, and removed to Dalton, where he was service manager for the Bates Motor Company of Scranton. In 1923 he established his present business in Dalton, where he handles a complete line of groceries and confections. In connection with this business he also deals in electrical goods and radios.

In 1910 Mr. Van Horn was married to Miss Cecelia Oswald, the daughter of James J. and Elizabeth (Mackland) Oswald. Mr. Oswald, deceased, was a native of Scotland. His widow resides at Dalton. Mr. and Mrs. Van Horn have a daughter, Eleanor, who attends Dalton High School.

Mr. Van Horn is a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Abington Sportsmen's Club, and Dalton Men's Club. He is president and manager of the Fairlawn Cemetery Association and chief of the Dalton Fire Protective Association. He is a Republican in politics.

George F. Hower is among the enterprising and progressive business men of Scranton, where he is identified with Hower & Stender, lumber dealers and general contractors. He was born in this city, Nov. 26, 1865, the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Fern) Hower.

Both Jacob Hower and his wife were natives of Germany. He was 21 years of age when he emigrated to this country with his mother and settled in Scranton, where he spent the remainder of his life in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. Mr. Hower is deceased and is buried in Scranton. He was a member of the German Lutheran Church. Elizabeth (Fern) Hower, who resides in Scranton, has lived in the United States since she was ten years old, her family having located

in Scranton in the early days. Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hower as follows: Mary, first, deceased; George F., the subject of this sketch; Martha, died in 1924, was the wife of A. F. Rickert; August, retired, lives in Scranton; Annie, married Jacob Ollendike, lives at Dickson City, Pa.; Emma, married John F. York, lives in Scranton; Mary, married J. N. Thompkins, lives at Reading, Pa.; and John Jacob, lives in Scranton.

George F. Hower entered the coal mines of the Lackawanna Collieries as a slate picker when he was 12 years old, and received three and one-half cents per hour for his labor. Later he was employed by the Weston-Mill Cracker Company, Scranton. He then learned the carpenter's trade with John Nelson, at that time a leading building contractor of this city. Four years later Mr. Hower was employed by Jacob Keiper on the building of the Lackawanna County jail. He then engaged in business with John D. Kohl, and after the latter's death, Mr. Hower continued the business with Herman F. Stender as a partner. They are leading building contractors of the city and have erected some of the finest structures, including The First National Bank, Country Club of Scranton, and Emmanuel Church. Mr. Hower is one of the organizers and a director of the Central Loan and Investment Company.

On Dec. 28, 1892, Mr. Hower married Miss Anna Early, the daughter of Frank and Theresa (Miller) Early, natives of Germany, and both now deceased. They have three children: Floyd Early, associated with his father's business as manager, married Miss Bertha Stender, and they have two daughters, Lois and Jean; G. Fred, associated in his father's business as sales manager, married Miss Edna Stone; and Martha E., a graduate of Scranton High School and Wyoming Seminary, attends Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa.

Mr. Hower is a member of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, League of Masonic Clubs, Knights of Malta, Scranton Club, Rotary Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is president of the Lackawanna County Lumber Dealers Association, a director of the Pennsylvania State Lumber Dealers Association, and a member of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association.

Patrick J. Horan, deceased, was born in Ireland in 1844, the son of Patrick and Catherine (Ford) Horan. Patrick Horan brought his family to the United States from Ireland in about 1845 and settled in Carbon-dale, Pa., where he entered the mines of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company. He was later appointed tip-staff by Judge Handley, and at the expiration of his term retired. He married Catherine Ford, who died July 1, 1896. They were the parents of five children: Anthony, died Sept. 30, 1896; Patrick J., father of the subject of this sketch; Bridget, deceased; Michael J., deceased; and Anna, deceased, was the wife of John Duffy.

Patrick J. Horan worked in the coal mines of Dunmore in early life and later was associated with the firm of Bryden Brothers & Cooper, as weighmaster. He then was employed by Williamson & Company, and in 1870, in partnership with the late M. J. Healey, formed the firm of Horan & Healey. In 1881 Mr. Horan purchased the stock and store of the Hindsell Clothing Company, Scranton, which he conducted for three years. He was also one of the organizers of the wholesale firm of T. J. Kelly & Co., which operated until 1905. In 1896 Messrs. Horan, Manley and Swift organized The Limited Cash Stores of Dunmore. Mr. Horan also incorporated The Union Cash Stores, of which he served as president. He was interested in the Mississippi Central Railroad Company, one of the incorporators of the United States Lumber Company, president of the Fidelity Deposit & Discount Bank, president of the Scranton Packing Company, director of the First National Bank of Scranton, director of the Lackawanna Trust Company, director of the Economy Light & Heat Company, director of the Eureka Specialty Company, and director of the Consumers Ice Company. He was also one of the organizers of the Lackawanna Lumber Company. Mr. Horan was beloved and respected by all who knew him and did much to promote the growth and prosperity of Dunmore. He died July 4, 1918. His wife is also deceased. She was prominent in philanthropic work in the city and for many years served as president of St. Joseph's Society. Mrs. Horan was a sister of Bishop Garvey of Altoona, Pa., Dr. James B. Garvey of Dunmore, and Catherine (Garvey) Curtin, of Dunmore. To Mr. and Mrs. Horan were born two children: James G., insurance agent, Scranton, Pa.; Grace, who married John O. D. Mangan, of West Pittston, Pa.; and Clare, deceased, was the wife of Matthew Cawley.

Florence J. Helriegel, attorney, who has been engaged in successful practice in Scranton for a number of years, is also one of the city's representative business men, being president of the South Side Bank. He was born at Ransom, Pa., April 15, 1879, and is the son of Oscar and Anna (Mack) Helriegel.

Oscar Helriegel, a highly esteemed citizen of Scranton, is a native of Germany. He was born in 1845 and settled at Hawley, Pa. Later he removed to Scranton, where he was well known as a wagon builder until the time of his retirement in 1903. Mr. Helriegel is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife was born in Bucks County, Pa., the daughter of Michael Mack. She died in 1907.

Florence J. Helriegel spent his boyhood in Scranton and in 1894 was graduated from the local high school. He then entered Dickinson Law School and in 1902 was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. He then assisted in the organization of the South Side Bank and became its first cashier. In 1914 he was elected president. Mr. Helriegel established his law practice in partnership with Thomas Donahoe in 1912 with offices

in the Mears Building. He is also secretary of the Scranton Silk Machine Company.

Mr. Helriegel married Miss Magdalena Robinson, the daughter of Philip and Mina (Schimpff) Robinson. Mr. Robinson died in September, 1879. He was a leading citizen of the community. His wife, Mrs. Nina Robinson, who died Aug. 26, 1926, was well known throughout the county. To Mr. and Mrs. Helriegel have been born two children: Robinson R., attended Lafayette College, now connected with the First National Bank, Scranton; and Magdalen, attends Ogontz School, Philadelphia.

Mr. Helriegel is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, and Scranton Lieberkranz.

Frank John Murphy, who holds the responsible position of chief of the Dunmore Fire Department, is a widely known and highly esteemed citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in New York City, July 6, 1883, the son of John and Mary (Healey) Murphy.

John Murphy, deceased, was a native of Chicago, Ill. He worked in the steel mills for many years and later was employed in the coal mines of Dunmore, where he had settled at an early date. His wife is also deceased, and they are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunmore.

Frank John Murphy spent his boyhood in Dunmore and attended the public schools. He went to work in the Johnson breakers as a slate picker and later learned the electrician's trade. He became chief electrician at these breakers and remained in that line of work until 1915, at which time he became chief of the Dunmore Fire Department. About 1899 Mr. Murphy joined the O. S. Johnson Fire Company, a volunteer organization, in which he has since been interested. The local department has been completely motorized and it was through Mr. Murphy's efforts that the double platoon system was organized. He organized the Dunmore Firemen's Department organization, of which he is serving as treasurer. He is also identified with the Pennsylvania State, National Firemen's, National Fire Chiefs, and Keystone Fire Chiefs' Associations.

On Aug. 10, 1915, Mr. Murphy married Miss Loretta McLane, the daughter of James and Mary (Jordan) McLane, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of England. Mr. McLane, deceased, was a pioneer resident of Dunmore, where his widow resides. Mr. and Mrs. McLane were the parents of the following children: William, Agnes, Theresa, Catherine, and James, all deceased; Ellen, the widow of James O'Hara, lives in Dunmore; Michael, married J. Gilligan, lives in Dunmore; Maria, lives in Scranton; Belinda, the widow of John Morrison, lives at Rochester, N. Y.; Anna F., lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, married Patrick McLoughlin, lives in Scranton; Loretta Murphy; and Ambrose, an adopted

son, lives in Rochester, N. Y. To Mr. and Mrs. Murphy have been born four children: Francis, born in December, 1916; Paul, born in 1918; James deceased; and Mary Eileen, born in 1924.

Mr. Murphy has always been a Democrat. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and belongs to the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Robert M. Fish, cashier of the Traders National Bank, is among the leading men of Scranton. He was born in this city, Oct. 21, 1884, the son of James B. and Edith (Arnold) Fish.

James B. Fish was born in Scranton in 1860 and died in 1886. He was well known in this city and was the son of Major John Billings and Sarah (Turner) Fish, a sketch of whom appears in this volume. The widow of James B. Fish, Edith (Arnold) Fish, resides in Albany, N. Y. She is now the wife of John Hourigan. Robert M., the subject of this sketch, was their only child.

Robert M. Fish began his banking career in 1901 as a teller in the North Scranton Bank. In October, 1916, he resigned and accepted a position as teller in the Traders National Bank until 1918, when he became assistant cashier, which position he filled until Oct. 1, 1927, when he became cashier.

On Sept. 17, 1918, Mr. Fish was married to Miss Alice G. Blair, of Scranton, the daughter of Col. Austin and Emma (Gay) Blair. Colonel Blair, deceased, was a well known banker of Scranton for many years, where his widow now resides. Alice G. Fish died Aug. 11, 1919. Mr. Fish was married April 5, 1926, to Mrs. Margaret (Lowe) Connell, who was born at Fitchburg, Mass. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Lowe, both of whom reside at Fitchburg, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Fish have a son, James A., born Feb. 21, 1927.

Mr. Fish is a Republican, a member of the Providence Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. He is also a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. He belongs to the Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Waverly Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Alfred Tennyson Hunt, vice president of the First National Bank of Scranton, is among the representative business men and highly esteemed citizens of Lackawanna County. He was born at Prattsville, N. Y., July 25, 1866, and is the son of James More and Mary Ellen (Brandow) Hunt.

James More Hunt, deceased, was a native of Prattsville, N. Y., born Jan. 12, 1841, and the son of George Hunt, a pioneer merchant of that place. James M. Hunt received a common school education and in 1869 removed to Scranton, where he was associated with Mr. Thomas J. Megargel in the grocery business until 1877, when the partnership was dissolved and he continued in business individually until 1884, when he retired. Mr. Hunt died in 1897 and his wife died in 1916. Both are bur-



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ied in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. Mary Ellen (Brandow) Hunt was born at Prattsville, N. Y., July 1, 1836, and was the daughter of Nicholas and Eleanor Brandow. To Mr. and Mrs. Hunt the following children were born: Alice M., deceased, was the wife of Clifford St. John, of Prattsville, N. Y.; Mrs. Bessie M. Rogers, lives at Beacon, N. Y.; and Alfred T., the subject of this sketch. Mr. Hunt was a Republican.

Alfred Tennyson Hunt grew up in Scranton and attended the public schools. He went as a clerk with R. G. Dun & Company and three years later became identified with the First National Bank of Scranton as a bookkeeper in the commercial department. In April, 1897, he was promoted to head bookkeeper and continued in this capacity until 1908, at which time he was made assistant cashier. In October, 1922, he was elected vice president of the institution. He is also in charge of the bank's collateral loan department.

On Nov. 18, 1890, Mr. Hunt was married to Miss Jennie S. Durand, the daughter of Daniel Durand, of Addison, N. Y. Their daughter, Adelaide Durand Hunt, is a graduate of Central High School, Scranton, Wilkeson College, and Columbia University. She lives at home with her parents.

Mr. Hunt is a member of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church, Masonic lodge, 32nd degree, and belongs to the Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Y. M. C. A., Abington Hills Country Club, and Lackawanna Motor Club. He has always been a Republican.

Lester Frank Davis is one of the representative and highly successful business men of Scranton, where he is identified with the Scranton Pump Company as treasurer and general manager. He was born in this city, Jan. 29, 1886, the son of W. W. and Kate (Beck) Davis.

W. W. Davis, deceased, was born in Scranton in 1851. He spent his entire life in this city and for years was connected with the Scranton Tribune as general manager. He died in 1914, and his wife, who was born in 1852, died in 1923. They are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. Davis was a member of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church of west Scranton and was active in local politics, having served as a member of the first city council. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Davis: Howard, vice president and general manager of the New York Tribune & New York Herald; Walter, treasurer of the Davis Printing Company, Scranton; Arthur, president of the Davis Printing Company, Scranton; Harold, a member of the firm of Potter & Company, brokers, New York city; Kate, lives in Scranton; and Lester Frank, the subject of this sketch.

Lester Frank Davis spent his boyhood in Scranton, and attended the public schools. Throughout his business career, which extends over 23 years, Mr. Davis has been identified with the Scranton Pump Company. He began as stenographer, and was later made assistant to John W. Fow-

ler, former president of the company. Mr. Davis advanced from purchasing agent to general manager of the concern and was elected treasurer in 1915. The officers are: Stanley F. Dolph, president; Edward S. Dolph, vice president; and Mr. Davis, treasurer and general manager. The company is known throughout the United States as manufacturers of centrifugal and electrical driven pumps, as well as shaking and dumping grates. The factory and offices are located at 1445 Meylert Avenue.

Mr. Davis married Miss Jeanette Phillips, of Scranton, the daughter of B. S. and Rebecca (Phillips) Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips reside in Scranton, where he was connected for many years with the Scranton Coal Company. He was also formerly the sheriff of Lackawanna County. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis have been born three children: Lester Frank, Jr., born in 1910, attends Staunton Military Academy, Staunton, Va.; Jeanette, born in 1915, attends the Scranton Country Day School; and William, born in 1918, a student.

Mr. Davis has always been a Republican. He is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with Peter Williamson Lodge, F. & A. M.; Coeur de Lion Commandery, No. 17, Knight Templar; Lackawanna Royal Arcanum, Chapter No. 185; Knights of Malta; and Royal Arcanum. He also holds membership in the Scranton Club, Engineers Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Machinery Club of New York City, Westmoreland Club of Wilkes-Barre, Green Ridge Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a director of the Industrial Thrift & Loan Association.

Peter J. Rosar.—In the superintendency of the fire department of Scranton, one of the most efficient and thoroughly equipped of such departments in the State of Pennsylvania, Chief Rosar, having risen from the rank, has performed a service of devotion and loyalty in behalf of his native city that may well be referred to as life long.

He is a son of Peter Rosar, who was born in Birfink, Germany, who came to the United States when he was eighteen years of age, and died in 1910, and of Caroline (Zang) Rosar, who came from Allenbach, Germany; they were the parents of nine children, of whom six are living, four sons and two daughters. Peter Rosar was a retail grocer, and the business established by him is still conducted by his children, making 62 years of business carried on under the name of Rosar's Grocery.

Peter J. Rosar, the youngest of the family of six children, was born March 28, 1878, at Scranton, and he received his education in the public and parochial schools of his birthplace. He early gave his attention to the work of the fire department, and on March 1, 1897, he joined the department as a volunteer "pipeman" with Neptune Company, No. 2. At the end of his second year as a volunteer, he was elected as foreman of the company, which position was equivalent to captain, so serving until 1901, when the department was taken over as a paid bureau, he then entered

the service as a call man at Engine Company No. 2. In January, 1903, he was made hoseman of Engine Company No. 2, the appointment being handed down by Mayor W. L. Connell. In March of the same year, after having served but a few months in the company as a hoseman, his ability was recognized and received due reward with his appointment as captain of the company.

Such rapid promotion proved an incentive to the young fireman, and he applied himself all the more diligently to the work at hand. Presently his company was known as one of the most proficient in the city. His men were under strict but willing discipline, and he was not alone recognized as a fireman of experience and efficiency, but was popular with the men who served under him, and with others in the department. Jan. 1, 1914, he was appointed by Mayor E. B. Jermyn as assistant chief of the Bureau of Fires, succeeding Henry W. Storm, resigned. On April 1, 1916, when the retirement of Superintendent H. F. Ferber became effective, Mr. Rosar was made Superintendent of the Bureau. With a record of 14 years in the paid service, and four years as a volunteer, Chief Rosar came to his work well equipped in organization details and in fire-fighting experience. As Superintendent of the Fire Department since 1916, Chief Rosar has 21 stations under his command. The Department was fully motorized Jan. 1, 1924. On March 1, 1928 Mr. Rosar celebrated his 25th year in the fire department as a paid fireman.

Chief Rosar is a Republican as to political matters, and he votes for that party ticket. His fraternal affiliations are those of Lodge, No. 123, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Knights of Saint George. He is a member of the Equity Club; he was vice-president of the Firemen's Association of the State of Pennsylvania for six years, and is now a member of its executive committee; and he is a member of the International Firemen's Association. He is a communicant of St. Mary's German Catholic Church.

Chief Rosar married, in 1897, Charlotte E. Philipp, of South Scranton, a daughter of Jacob Philipp, who was one of the pioneers among the contractors of Scranton, and of Katherine (Fries) Philipp; and they are the parents of Howard P., born May 25, 1900; and of Elsie Marie, born June 1, 1902.

John Flesher, who has served as city treasurer of Olyphant since 1926, is a substantial and well known citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in Czecho-Slovakia, June 23, 1866, and emigrated to the United States about 1880.

Mr. Flesher was employed in the coal mines of Lackawanna County for 14 years as a contract miner, later engaged in the hotel business at Olyphant, and for a number of years was interested in a wholesale liquor business. He has been a resident of Olyphant for the past 35 years, and since 1922 has engaged in the mercantile business here. Mr. Flesher

served as a member of the city council for three terms before accepting his present office as treasurer of the borough.

In 1890 Mr. Flesher was married to Miss Anna Kopnitski, who died in 1900. To this union two daughters were born: Mary, married Onufer Bubnaik, lives at Olyphant; and Sarah, married George Rabel, lives at Olyphant. Mr. Flesher's second marriage was to Elizabeth Yasho in August, 1900. To this union were born four children: Mary, married John A. Keyasko, of Throop, Pa.; Joseph, married Mary Gancarski, and lives at Olyphant; Margaret and Jewel, reside at home. On May 18, 1911, Mr. Flesher was married to Caroline Urban of Olyphant, and they have two children: Anna, and Elmer, both attending school.

Mr. Flesher has always been a Republican and holds membership in the Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Olyphant, and the Woodmen of the World.

Joseph William Hall, who is serving as chief of the Fire Department of Clarks Summit and as borough tax collector, is one of the well known citizens of Lackawanna County, and one of the most active in volunteer fire work. He was born at Pittston, Pa., July 1, 1858, the son of David E. and Cordelia (Deits) Hall.

David E. Hall was born in Northampton County, Pa. He was a bridge builder and spent most of his life at Pittston. He is now deceased, and his wife, who died in 1908, is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. Their only child was Joseph William, the subject of this sketch.

When three years old Joseph William Hall came to Scranton to make his home with his aunt, Mary Marlor. He attended the public schools and as a boy also worked in the Oxford coal mines. He later learned the cigar making trade with Davis Brothers, Scranton, afterwards spending two years as a brakeman for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He then received an appointment as clerk in the Scranton postoffice, and served in this capacity for 33 years. He was then pensioned and in 1910 removed to Clarks Summit, where he was made foreman of the fire department two years later. In 1927 he was made fire chief. He has held the office of tax collector since 1926.

Mr. Hall joined the Scranton Volunteer Fire Department in 1876 and served for nine years as assistant chief engineer of the Scranton Fire Department. He is one of the oldest living members of the Scranton volunteer department. Mr. Hall has served as financial secretary of the Firemen's Relief Association of Scranton since 1900. He is president for 1928 of the Firemen's Relief Association and has been a member of the Firemen's Association of Pennsylvania since 1897; and is honorary vice-president for the Lackawanna County of the Six County Firemen's Association for 1927. He is very much interested in this work to which he has devoted more than 50 years. As chief of the Clarks Summit Fire Department, he had charge of the Hillside fire on Dec. 12, which



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was a \$15,000 fire. Mr. Hall personally supervised the work, although nearly 69 years old.

Mr. Hall married Miss Mamie Davis, the daughter of Even S. Davis, a native of Wales. They had three sons: Judson and Franklin, both deceased; and Calvin J., a World War veteran, lives at home, is connected with the Finance Department of the Commonwealth Telephone Company.

Mr. Hall is a Republican, and belongs to the Eagles Lodge, South Abington Grange, and Abington Men's Club, and is a member of the Mutual Benefit Association of Postal Employees.

M. C. Leskawa, a veteran of the World War, ranks high among the successful young business men of Scranton, where he is interested in the wholesale lumber business. He was born in Philadelphia, Jan. 25, 1896, and is the son of Julian and Josephine Leskawa.

Julian Leskawa was born at Youngstown, Ohio, where he has spent practically all his life. He is a merchant tailor and is prominent among the business men of Youngstown. Mr. and Mrs. Leskawa are the parents of five children, M. C., the subject of this sketch, being the youngest.

M. C. Leskawa was reared and educated in Youngstown. He served throughout the World War with the rank of first lieutenant, quartermaster corps, base sector, No. 5, and was stationed at Bordeaux, France. Upon his return to Youngstown he became a representative of the Union Wholesale Lumber Company, and traveled throughout northeastern Pennsylvania. He has engaged in business for himself in Scranton since 1923, and has an extensive trade throughout this section of the state. His offices are located at 302 Rehrig Building.

On Nov. 14, 1923, Mr. Leskawa married Miss Margaret E. Kanyock, of Northampton, Pa. They have a son, Richard Matthew, born Jan. 4, 1925.

Mr. Leskawa is a member of the Lutheran Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge. The family residence is in Dunmore.

D. T. Lansing, a successful business man of Scranton, and well known resident of Lackawanna County, was born at Minneapolis, Minn., July 16, 1892, the son of Douglas W. and Harriet (Mott) Lansing.

Douglas W. Lansing was born in New York, March 9, 1858, and died in October, 1924. He was well known in Scranton, where he engaged in the hardware business in 1903. Mr. Lansing lived retired for 15 years before his death. His widow lives at Orlando, Florida. To Mr. and Mrs. Lansing were born two sons: D. T., the subject of this sketch; and Donald, who lives at Minneapolis.

D. T. Lansing was educated in the public schools of Scranton and as a youth was associated with his father's hardware business. He became proprietor of the store in 1913, which he continued to operate until 1920, at which time he closed out the hardware department. He now deals ex-

clusively in automotive equipment and supplies, and radios. He is a wholesale dealer and local representative for the Atwater Kent Radio. This well established business is located at 342 Gibson Street, where Mr. Lansing employs 40 people.

On June 30, 1913, Mr. Lansing married Miss Evelyn Post of Scranton, the daughter of Isaac and Emily (Baldwin) Post, both deceased. Mr. Post was prominent in Scranton for many years as cashier of the First National Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Lansing have three children: Douglas T., Jr., Carolyn, and Virginia.

Mr. Lansing is a Republican, a member of the Elm Park Methodist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. The family residence is at Clarks Green.

John W. Beagle.—An experienced man in his particular line of business, John W. Beagle, of Scranton, is well known among the florists of Lackawanna County. He was born in Hemlock Township, Columbia County, Pa., Feb. 28, 1871, the son of John and Mary (Crawford) Beagle.

John Beagle emigrated to the United States from Germany when 16 years of age and settled in Columbia County, Pa., where he was successful as a miller. He continued in business until the time of his death, which occurred in October, 1881. His wife was born in Mount Pleasant Township, Columbia County, and died in 1886. They were members of the Lutheran Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Beagle eight children were born, as follows: Sarah, deceased, was the wife of John Schaeffer; Kate, the widow of Jacob Jacobi, lives in Columbia County; Edward, agriculturist lives in Columbia County; Emma, married C. Baker, lives at Cambria, Pa.; Benjamin, lives at Shickshinny; George, lives in Scranton; and Samuel, deceased.

Growing up on his father's farm, John W. Beagle attended the district school. He has lived in Scranton since 1891, and has been interested in the floral business since 1895, at that time being associated with William H. Davis. He was later connected with the business of T. B. McClintock, and also served as chief gardener for Col. James Oakford. In 1889 he became associated with Mrs. Margaret Muir, florist, and in 1914 purchased his present business from Ira G. Marvin. New greenhouses were erected by Mr. Beagle in 1924, and he now has 10,000 feet under glass. He specializes in the raising of cut flowers and plants, and conducts one of the city's large retail floral shops at 925 Capouse Avenue.

In 1901 Mr. Beagle was united in marriage with Miss Mary Warrell, the daughter of Jack Warrell, of Wales. They had three children: John L.; Margaret; and George, who is deceased.

John L. Beagle was born in Scranton Aug. 20, 1902. He was educated in the public schools and is a graduate of Scranton Business College. He is now associated in business with his father. Mr. Beagle is affiliated with F. and A. M., No. 291; Keystone Consistory, 32nd degree;

Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre; Irem Country Club; and Knights of Malta; Columbus Council No. 285.

John W. Beagle is a member of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Knights of Malta, Woodmen of the World, and Chamber of Commerce.

E. R. Dimock.—An experienced man in his particular line of business, E. R. Dimock, is well known in Scranton where he is manager of the Pennsylvania mills of the Klots-Throwing Company. He was born at Carbondale, Pa., Sept. 4, 1885, the son of Benjamin and Ida (Burritt) Dimock.

Benjamin Dimock, of Carbondale, is a pioneer in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. He is the oldest member of the Brotherhood of Engineers living in this section of the state. His wife was born at Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. and Mrs. Dimock have two sons: Arthur Gordon, lives in Scranton; and E. R., the subject of this sketch.

The boyhood of E. R. Dimock was spent in Carbondale where he attended the public schools. He has furthered his education by correspondence courses at the International Correspondence Schools, Scranton, University of Chicago, and Alexander Hamilton Institute. He began his business career as a bookkeeper in the employ of the Erie Railroad Company at Carbondale. Later he was employed by the American Locomotive Company of Scranton and the Morris Hill Coal Company. He has been identified with the Klots Throwing Company since 1910. He served as assistant superintendent of the Carbondale branch and was later transferred to the Scranton offices as superintendent. In 1920 he was promoted to manager of the company's mills in Pennsylvania.

On Sept. 16, 1914, Mr. Dimock was married to Miss Maybelle Thompson of Carbondale, and they have four children: Burritt E., Rachael Elizabeth, William, and John C.

In politics Mr. Dimock is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Engineers Club, Craftsmen's Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

T. R. Johnson.—A substantial citizen and enterprising and dependable business man of Scranton is found in T. R. Johnson, mortician, of 1507 North Main Street. He was born at St. Clair, Schuylkill County, Pa., Nov. 12, 1887, a son of Clarence D. and Mary Jane (Dudlick) Johnson.

Clarence D. Johnson, deceased, was a native of Schuylkill County, Pa. He spent his entire life in that section of Pennsylvania and died in January, 1914. His wife died in December, 1919. They were the parents of the following children: Clarence C., lives at Easton, Pa.; Bertha, married L. W. Keisling, lives in Scranton; Emma, married Ira J. Nolan, lives at Clarks Summit, Pa.; T. R., the subject of this sketch; Charles and Harvey, both died in infancy; and Mrs. Harry Green, deceased.

T. R. Johnson received his education in the public schools and later attended Scranton Business College and Eccles Embalming College, from which he was graduated in 1914. He has conducted his well equipped funeral home in this city since 1914, and has met with success.

On March 2, 1912, Mr. Johnson was united in marriage with Miss Mabel Pace, of Scranton, the daughter of William J. and Myra (Brundage) Pace. Mr. Brundage, who lives retired in Scranton, served for many years as a member of the city fire department. His wife was born in this city. To Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have been born four daughters: Ruth Laura; Marian Brundage; Marjorie Jane; and Dorothy Atherton.

Mr. Johnson is a Republican, a member of the Court Street Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Chamber of Commerce.

Major John Billings Fish, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War, and occupied a prominent place in the business life of Scranton for many years. He was born at Liberty, Sullivan County, N. Y., March 14, 1829, and died in Scranton, July 15, 1905.

The early life of John Billings Fish was spent at Liberty and Bainbridge, N. Y., where he engaged in the tinning and sheet metal business. In 1854 he removed to Pittston, Pa., and served as burgess of that town from 1858 to 1859. In 1861 Mr. Fish enlisted in the 11th Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, and became a lieutenant. He was with the first troops to cross the Potomac River above Washington. At the close of his term he re-enlisted with the rank of first lieutenant and served with the 52nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was commissioned captain in 1863 and mustered out of service, Jan. 27, 1865. Mr. Fish then took up his residence in North Scranton, where he spent the remainder of his life. He became a successful hardware merchant and was also superintendent of the Providence Gas & Water Company. He was one of the founders of the North Scranton Bank and served as a director for many years. He served five years as captain of Company H, 13th Regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania, and was promoted to major, Oct. 4, 1888.

On Oct. 5, 1853, Mr. Fish was united in marriage with Miss Sarah A. Turner, the daughter of Robert and Laura Turner, of Bainbridge, N. Y. Mrs. Fish was born at Deposit, N. Y., and preceded her husband in death by several years. To Mr. and Mrs. Fish three children were born: Laura T., James B., and Morris P., all deceased.

Major Fish was a prominent churchman, holding membership in the Presbyterian Church. He was affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Grand Army of the Republic, Post No. 139, Scranton. He also belonged to the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. He was a Republican.

Joseph Jeffrey.—A familiar figure in the public utility field in Scranton is Joseph Jeffrey, whose usefulness is recognized by all in his successful administrations of the affairs of the Scranton Gas and Water Company. Mr. Jeffrey is giving to his work in this connection the tireless endeavor and excellent judgment of the natural man of affairs, and his prominence in the community places him in a leading position in present-day advance. Coming to this country as a young man and making his own way in the world, Mr. Jeffrey has become a self-reliant and worthy citizen, and commands the esteem and confidence of all. He is the son of William Jeffrey, who was born in England, and died in 1915, after a useful life as a miner. The mother, Hannah (Bees) Jeffrey, was also born in England and she still survives the husband and father.

Joseph Jeffrey was born in England, May 23, 1867. Receiving his education in the national schools of his native land and securing a practical foundation for his later endeavors, Mr. Jeffrey came to America in 1883. Locating in the city of Scranton with his parents, who came to this country with him, Mr. Jeffrey at once became identified with local industrial progress. He first served as an employe of O. S. Johnson, a local mine operator, having had some experience in England as time-keeper for the Wigan Coal & Iron Company. Mr. Jeffrey later was active as a clerk in a Dunmore store, remaining until April, 1889. He then entered the organization known as the Scranton Gas & Water Company, in the capacity of bookkeeper. Remaining permanently with this concern, he has risen in the organization through the various grades of responsibility, and from July, 1899, until May, 1906, he served as assistant secretary. In the latter year he was elected secretary and treasurer of the corporation, which important offices he still ably fills. To every one who is associated with him Mr. Jeffrey's sincere spirit and lofty ideals form a challenge to equally worthy endeavor, and it is acknowledged that he has won his present distinction through his tireless efforts and his faithful service. He is further affiliated in the business world as secretary and treasurer of the Hyde Park Gas Company, of the Olyphant Water Company, of the Carbondale Water Supply Company, and the Capouse Gas Company. He is a Republican in his political convictions. Fraternally, he is affiliated with King Solomon Lodge, No. 584, F. & A. M., of which he is an honored Past Master; Lackawanna Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Melita Commandery, Knights Templar; and he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Country Club of Scranton. His religious affiliation is with Dunmore Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member of the board of trustees for a number of years.

Joseph Jeffrey was married on June 23, 1892, to Anna Raught, of Dunmore, Pa., daughter of George and Catherine (Benscoter) Raught. Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey are the parents of three sons: (1.) Albert R., who married Edna Stenz, and they have one daughter, Thelma. He served in the World War in the Air Service with the rank of sergeant. He is identified with the Scranton Gas & Water Company. (2.) Willard R., who

married Frances Matthews, and they have two children: Joan, and Ruth. He served in the United States Navy during the World War, and is a member of the firm of C. H. Genter & Company, of Dunmore. (3.) Louis R., a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. He lives at Montclair, N. J., and is assistant engineer of the Mountain Ice Company of Hoboken, N. J.

John F. Shaughnessy, manager of the office of Bradstreets, in Scranton, is a representative business man of Lackawanna County. He was born in England in June, 1880, the son of John and Bridget (Burke) Shaughnessy.

John Shaughnessy, deceased, was a native of Ireland, and was among the early settlers of Scranton, Pa., where he was employed in the Mount Pleasant Collieries for a quarter of a century. He later was station agent for the Lackawanna & Wyoming Railroad. Mr. Shaughnessy died in 1922 at the age of 57 years, and his wife died in July, 1925, aged 62 years. They were the parents of the following children: John F., the subject of this sketch; Peter, deceased; Patrick, lives in Scranton; Margaret, married James Gilchrist, lives in Scranton; Hannah, lives in Scranton; William, lives in Scranton; James, lives in Scranton; Mary, married John Koelsch, lives in Scranton.

John F. Shaughnessy has lived in Scranton since he was nine years old. He received a meager education in the public schools, having started work in the coal mines as a boy. He worked as a slate picker and was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. When 15 years of age he went with the Cliff Works, of the Dickson Manufacturing Company, where he learned the machinist's trade. Later he was employed in the Keyser Valley Shops of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Company. He began his business career in the insurance field and later worked on the Scranton Times, in charge of the Pittston office, and later succeeded Thomas Murphy at North Scranton.

Since 1910 Mr. Shaughnessy has been identified with the interests of Bradstreets in Scranton, and for the past seven years has been manager of the local offices which are located in the Traders National Bank Building.

On July 17, 1907, Mr. Shaughnessy was united in marriage with Miss Francis V. McGee, of Scranton, the daughter of Patrick and Mary (Devine) McGee, both deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Shaughnessy have been born seven children: Frances, a graduate of St. Mary's Seminary, now employed as a bookkeeper by the Diamond Oil & Paint Company, Scranton; Mary, attends Marywood College; John, and Joseph, both attend St. Patrick's High School; Jane, Margaret, and Helen, all at home.

Mr. Shaughnessy is a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. In 1912 he became secretary of the Catholic Men and Boy's Club of Scranton. Mr. Shaughnessy has been a member of the Kiwanis Club since 1920. During the years of 1914 and 1915 he was National Secretary of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America.

Owen B. Ash, secretary and manager of Deemer & Company, is one of the most progressive of the younger business men of Scranton and a veteran of the World War. He was born at Benton, in Columbia County, Pa., Jan. 26, 1894, the son of Thomas H. and Anna (Bieshline) Ash.

Thomas H. Ash was born in Benton Township, Columbia County, Pa., in 1871, and has spent his entire life in that community. He lives at Benton, Pa., where he is a clerk in one of the leading mercantile establishments. Mr. and Mrs. Ash are the parents of three children: Owen B., the subject of this sketch; Ethel, the wife of Walter Ellison, lives at Montoursville, Pa.; and Ivan Leonard, lives in Chicago, Ill., where he is identified with the Y. M. C. A.

Owen B. Ash grew up in Benton and attended the public schools. He also took a business course at the Wilkes-Barre Business College and was a member of the faculty of that institution for a time and was later connected with the Scranton Business College. In 1914 he entered the employ of Deemer & Company, in Wilkes-Barre. Mr. Ash was transferred to the Scranton office shortly afterward and in 1922 was promoted to secretary and manager of the Scranton store. The company also maintains a branch office at Hazelton, Pa. They are dealers in office supplies and carry on a large volume of business annually.

Mr. Ash married Miss Emma Eike, of Kingston, Pa. They have two children: Marion June, born Dec. 7, 1922; and Owen Byron, born Jan. 12, 1926.

Mr. Ash is a Republican, a member of the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Lions Club, and Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

During the World War Mr. Ash served in France as a member of Company D, 305th Ammunition Train.

John D. Hughes, secretary of the Scranton School Board, has spent his entire life in this city, and is prominent in the civic life of the community. He was born June 20, 1873, the son of Joseph L. and Charlotte (Jones) Hughes.

Joseph L. Hughes, deceased, was well known throughout Lackawanna County for many years as a mining engineer. He was born at Pottsville, Pa., in 1846, and died in Scranton in 1920. His widow, who was born at Carbondale, resides in Scranton. Mr. Hughes was a member of the Methodist Church and his wife has been a life long member of the Congregational Church. They were the parents of five children: John D., the subject of this sketch; Sarah J., a teacher in School No. 18, Scranton; Laura J., married Richard J. Lewis, who is principal of School No. 18, Scranton; Chester A., and Rachel, both at home.

John D. Hughes obtained his early education in Scranton and attended Eastman's College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., after his graduation from Central

High School. He was associated with the general mercantile business of D. D. Evans, in Scranton, until 1905, at which time he was appointed deputy city controller. He served in that capacity until 1917 and has since held the office of secretary of the Scranton School Board.

On July 17, 1898, Mr. Hughes married Miss Myvanwy Williams, of Youngstown, Ohio. They have three children: John T., lives at home, is a graduate of the Pennsylvania State College, now a chemist for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad; Charlotte, lives at home, a graduate of Westchester Normal School, now a teacher in School No. 14, Scranton; and Robert A., attends Pennsylvania State College.

Mr. Hughes is an active worker among the Welsh organizations in Scranton and for a number of years was secretary of the Druid Society. He is a Republican, a member of the Congregational Church and belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America.

Harry Oliver Staples.—One of the progressive business men of Scranton is Harry Oliver Staples, who is treasurer of Staples & Bell, Inc. He was born at Malden, Mass., April 14, 1880, and is a son of John Edward and Clara Adelaide (Barrett) Staples.

John Edward Staples was born at Elliott, Maine, in 1845 and died in 1913. He was reared on a farm and after completing his schooling became associated with the Ranlett Company, hay and grain dealers. He later became manager of the company and finally a partner in the business. During the latter years of his life Mr. Staples engaged in the real estate business. He was a Republican and served as alderman of Malden, Mass. His widow, who was born at Malden, resides at Brookline, Mass. Mr. John Edward Staples was a member of the Universalist Church and belonged to the Knights of Pythias and National Lancers. Mr. and Mrs. Staples had two children: Alice W., married Arthur T. Dooley, wholesale grocer, lives at Malden, Mass., and Harry Oliver, the subject of this sketch.

Harry Oliver Staples received his education in the public schools and was graduated from the Malden High School in 1897. The following year he completed a course at Burdett College and began his business career as a bookkeeper with the Bigelow-Kennard & Company, jewelers. He later was employed as a salesman by the Sterling Rubber Company, and in 1905 became associated with Frank S. Pratt in the wholesale coal business. Two years later the partnership of Staples & Bell was established at Boston, Mass. In 1910 the company was incorporated and Mr. Staples was elected treasurer and vice president. The main offices of these well known coal operators are located at 141 Milk Street, Boston. During the latter part of 1916 a branch office was established in Scranton, and at this time Mr. Staples and his family removed here. He is also trustee for Staples & Bell, Inc., and Dexter & Carpenter, Inc., these firms operating jointly and owning culm banks and mines at Richmondale, Pa. Mr. Staples is also president of the Grand Tunnel Coal Company, which was organized in



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1922; president of the Granite State Coal Company of Manchester, N. H., which was incorporated in 1910; treasurer and director of the Roaring Brook Coal Company; president of the Fitzpatrick Brothers, Inc.; president of the Anthracite Transportation Company; president of the Staples-Sweeney Manufacturing Company; and a trustee of the Rose Coal Company. Mr. Staples is the sole anthracite licensor of the Chance Coal Cleaner, which is a private undertaking. In 1912 Mr. Staples married Miss Maud Helen O'Bryan, the daughter of Sylvester and Katherine Day O'Bryan. They have three children: Claire, Virginia and Harry Oliver, Jr.

Mr. Staples is a Republican and a member of the Scranton Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Society of Engineers of Northeastern Pennsylvania. He also belongs to the Boston Chamber of Commerce and Derryfield Club, Manchester, N. H.

Myer Kabatchnick.—A worthy representative of the legal profession in Lackawanna County, Myer Kabatchnick is numbered among the able and highly successful attorneys of Scranton. He was born in this city, April 2, 1883, the son of Bernard and Anna (Friedman) Kabatchnick.

Bernard Kabatchnick, deceased, was a native of Poland, as was his wife. After their marriage they emigrated to the United States about 1880 and settled in Scranton, where Mr. Kabatchnick became a merchant, and where he resided until his death in 1911. Anna Kabatchnick died in Scranton in 1920. Mr. Kabatchnick was a Republican in politics, and was one of the founders of the Jewish Orthodox Church in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Kabatchnick were born six children: Yetta, married Jacob Smith, Alderman, Scranton; Sarah, married Joseph Weisburg, merchant, Scranton; Myer, the subject of this sketch; Mary, David, and Jesse, all living in Scranton.

Myer Kabatchnick was graduated from Scranton High School in 1901 and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University in 1906. He studied law in the offices of Willard, Warren & Knapp of this city, passed the Pennsylvania State Bar Examination in 1908 and was admitted to the Bar of Lackawanna County that year and later to the Federal, Superior and Supreme Courts. From 1906 until 1909 he served as secretary to Mayor J. Benjamin Dimmick. In 1912 he was elected a delegate to the Republican State Convention at Harrisburg, Pa. He has also served as secretary of the Pennsylvania State League of Republican Clubs. He was secretary of the Republican County Committee of Lackawanna County in 1913, and in 1912 was chosen with Mayor John Von Bergen to attend the progressive National Party Convention held at Chicago, Ill., which nominated Theodore Roosevelt for president. In 1917 he was a candidate at the primary for the Republican nomination for District Attorney. He was assistant city solicitor under Mayor John Von Bergen, deputy prothonotary under John B. Griffiths, solicitor to the late sheriff, Jacob R. Schlager, and upon the latter's death continued under Sheriff

Gomer C. Davis. In June, 1927, he was appointed by Governor Fisher Associate Counsel to the Workmen's Compensation Board of Pennsylvania. Mr. Kabatchnick has offices in the Mears Building.

In 1917 Mr. Kabatchnick married Miss Edna Schulze, the daughter of August and Emma (Abeles) Schulze, of Richmond Hills, Long Island, N. Y. She is a granddaughter of Lieut. Commander Schulze (deceased), who served in the Civil War in the United States Navy. Mr. and Mrs. Kabatchnick have three children: Emmy Beryl, born Nov. 20, 1918; Ethel Jane, born Nov. 21, 1919, and Bernard Nathaniel, born Dec. 23, 1926.

Mr. Kabatchnick is a member of the Madison Avenue Temple, the B'nai B'rith, Scranton Lodge of Elks of which he is a Past Exalted Ruler, Schiller Lodge of Masons, Keystone Consistory, Shrine, Irem Temple, Patriotic Order Sons of America, Junger Maennerchor, and South Side Republican Club. He is also a member of the Harvard Club of New York and Phi Beta Kappa fraternity.

Floyd G. Wilcox, the subject of this sketch, is a director, president and general manager of the Price-Pancoast Coal Company, the West End Coal Company and the Melville Coal Company, with headquarters in the Mears Building, Scranton. He is the son of Darius A. and Sarah (Grant) Wilcox and was born at Walton, Delaware County, N. Y., April 22, 1882.

Darius A. Wilcox, deceased, was born at Walton, Delaware County, N. Y., but lived most of his life at Bangor, Pa. He was well known in that section of the state as a building contractor and took a prominent part in local politics. He died in 1925 and is buried in Bangor, Pa., where his widow resides. Mr. Wilcox was a Democrat, a member of the Baptist Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. Sarah (Grant) Wilcox was born at Granton, Delaware County, N. Y., the town being named after her father.

Floyd G. Wilcox was educated in the public schools at Bangor, Pa., and at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., being a graduate of the class of 1904, with the degree of Engineer of Mines. After graduating he started as a chain man on an engineering corps with the Hillside Coal & Iron Company at Forest City, Pa. His progress here was steadily upward, receiving promotion from chainman to transitman, to colliery engineer, and then division engineer. He was then transferred to the Pennsylvania Coal Company as a division engineer, where he progressed in like manner, receiving promotions from division engineer to engineer in charge of construction of the Underwood Colliery, then engineer for the tax, claim and land department of the Pennsylvania Coal Company and sundry other companies. Later he was made superintendent of the Old Forge and Sibley collieries of the Pennsylvania Coal Company.

In the year 1918 Mr. Wilcox severed his connection with the Pennsylvania Coal Company and accepted the position of superintendent of the Price-Pancoast Coal Company. Here he advanced from his original

position to general superintendent of the Price-Pancoast Coal Company and the West End Coal Company. In August, 1920, he was made general manager of the Price-Pancoast Coal Company and the West End Coal Company, which position he held until the board of directors, on March 24, 1924, elected him president and general manager and a director of the above companies.

On Nov. 30, 1915, Mr. Wilcox was united in marriage with Miss Glenetta L. Keller, of Dunmore, Pa., the daughter of Frances M. and Isabel (Freas) Keller, of Dunmore, Pa. Mr. Keller has been in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad for over 25 years. He is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Keller have two children: Glenetta L. Wilcox, and Earl L., a veteran of the World War, lives at Hornell, N. Y., where he is chief statistician to the general manager of the Erie Railroad Company. To Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox have been born two sons: Floyd G., Jr., born June 14, 1920; and Earl F., born June 23, 1926.

Mr. Wilcox is a Republican, attends the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is a director of the Throop State Bank at Throop, Pa., and President of the Mid Valley Building and Loan Association at Olyphant, Pa.

James B. Schriever.—Not only throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania, but all over the United States the name of Schriever is identified with photography. Few men have been more successful in this particular line of work than Mr. Schriever, of Scranton. He was born at Brookville, Jefferson County, Pa., April 30, 1868, the son of Jacob B. and Veronica (Schmandt) Schriever.

Jacob B. Schriever, deceased, was a native of Germany. He was among the earliest settlers of Jefferson County, Pa., and well known at Brookville as a wholesale grocer. He was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. He died in 1879 and his wife died in 1912. They are buried at Kane, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Schriever had five children: Marie Elizabeth and Julia, who live at Kane; Gertrude, married John J. Kavanaugh, lived at Union City, Pa.; James B., the subject of this sketch.

James B. Schriever attended the public schools of his native city and began his business career as a bookkeeper in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in 1887. During this time he was a resident of Kane, Pa. In the year 1888 he entered the photograph business. He removed to Emporium, Pa., in 1889, where he resided 12 years after which he moved to Scranton, Pa., and has since been prominent as a photographer. From 1901 until 1924 his studio was located on Wyoming Avenue, and in the latter year he removed to 115 Washington Avenue. He was very active in association work and has been several times elected president of the Photographers Association of the Middle Atlantic States, and has been awarded many medals and trophies for the artistry of his

work both in America and in Europe. He was voted the most popular photographer in the United States in 1912 and is a recognized genius in his profession. Mr. Schriever employs the DeLuxe lighting system exclusively in his studio.

In 1893 Mr. Schriever was married to Miss Kate Zarps, who was born at Elmira, N. Y., Sept. 26, 1868, the daughter of Charles and Mary (Haupt) Zarps, natives of Germany. Mr. Zarps, who died March 12, 1912, was a Civil War veteran. His wife died Aug. 25, 1912, and they are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Elmira, N. Y. They had two children: Henry A., retired, lives at Emporium, Pa.; and Katie Schriever. Mr. and Mrs. Schriever have a daughter, Irene Marie, born June 22, 1895. She was married May 5, 1919, to Frank W. Smith, who is associated with the business of Mr. Schriever. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have two children: James Schriever, born April 25, 1921; and Marie Katherine, born Nov. 11, 1922.

Mr. Schriever and his family are members of the Catholic Church and are highly esteemed members of the community in which they live.

Rollo G. Jermyn, II, is a veteran of the World War and one of the popular young business men of Scranton, where he is identified with Jermyn & Company as general manager. He was born at Oswego, N. Y., Feb. 18, 1896, and is the son of Rollo G. and Kate (Jay) Jermyn, a complete sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

Rollo G. Jermyn secured his education in private schools and is a graduate of the School of the Lackawanna, Scranton, and Pauling's School on the Hudson, having graduated from the latter institution in 1914. He then became identified with Jermyn & Company in charge of the Rendham Store Company. In 1916 he purchased a half interest in this business and at the same time became associated with the mine department of the Jermyn interests as general manager of the mines. In May, 1917, Mr. Jermyn volunteered for service as a member of Company F, 103rd Combat Engineers of Scranton, 28th Division, and was sent to France, where he participated in the following important engagements: Meuse-Argonne, Marne, Chateau Thierry, Fifth German Offensive, and Theaucourt Sector. He was discharged as a first class sergeant on May 19, 1919. Upon his return to Scranton, Mr. Jermyn resumed his position with Jermyn & Company as general manager. His residence is at 808 Webster Avenue, Scranton.

In June, 1919, Mr. Jermyn was united in marriage with Miss Janet Connell, the daughter of Alfred Ellsworth and Jane (Harris) Connell. Mr. Connell, deceased, was one of the leading citizens of Scranton, and well known throughout northeastern Pennsylvania as an influential and honored man of business. His widow lives in Scranton.

Mr. Jermyn is a Republican, a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, American Legion, Scranton Club, and Country Club of Scranton.



R. L. Perry Jr.

H. P. Langan, D. D. S., is one of the prominent young dentists of Scranton, with offices at 857 Capouse Avenue. He was born at Olyphant, Feb. 16, 1901, and is a son of P. F. and Mary (Gillespie) Langan.

P. F. Langan, who ranks among the successful merchants of Olyphant, is a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Moscow in 1867 and in early life removed to Olyphant, where he has engaged in the grocery and meat business for many years. He has served as borough treasurer and school director. His wife was born in Olyphant in 1869. To Mr. and Mrs. Langan the following children were born: Mary, a graduate of Westchester Normal School, Philadelphia, now a teacher in Olyphant High School; Thomas, a graduate of Stroudsburg State Normal School and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, now a pharmacist at Jessup, Pa.; Julia, a graduate of Westchester Normal School, now a teacher in the Olyphant grade schools; H. P., the subject of this sketch; Patrick, a graduate of Olyphant High School, lives at home; and Mildred, a graduate of Olyphant High School, now attends Sargent School of Physical Education, Cambridge, Mass.

H. P. Langan received his early education in the public schools of Olyphant and was graduated from high school in 1919. He then entered the University of Maryland, from which he was graduated in Dental Surgery in 1924. Since that date he has engaged in the practice of his profession in Scranton.

Dr. Langan is a member of the Lackawanna Dental Society. He belongs to St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Olyphant, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. Politically he is a Democrat. Dr. Langan is unmarried.

Joseph J. Parchinski, who is successfully engaged in the insurance business, is among the progressive young business men of Dickson City. He was born in Dickson City, Pa., Sept. 15, 1899, the son of John and Catherine (Maliszewski) Parchinski.

In 1884 John Parchinski came to the United States with his family from East Prussia, now Poland, where he was born and reared. He settled at Dickson City, where he worked in the mines. Later he engaged in the grocery business. Mr. Parchinski died June 13, 1923, at the age of 70 years. He was a member of the Catholic Church and one of the organizers of St. Mary's Catholic Parrish in Dickson City. His widow lives here. To Mr. and Mrs. Parchinski were born three children: Frank, was killed in action during the Battle of the Argonne, Sept. 29, 1918, having been inducted into the service in June, 1918; Joseph J., the subject of this sketch; and Rose, deceased.

After completing his early schooling at St. Mary's School, Dickson City, Joseph J. Parchinski entered St. Thomas College, Scranton, from which he was graduated in 1918. During the World War he served with the Student Army Training Corps. Mr. Parchinski has been interested in

the insurance business since 1921, and has been most successful in his undertaking.

Mr. Parchinski is a Republican and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He is not married.

Edward Herbert Davis, in length of his professional activities and in the importance of work accomplished, is the outstanding architect in practice at Scranton. For many years he has been at the head of his profession in that city, and has designed and supervised the construction of many of the important buildings erected during the past 30 years. He was born in Washington, D. C., Feb. 14, 1867, son of Edward Hotchkiss and Francena H. (Freeman) Davis. His mother was born in Windham, Maine, and is now 88 years of age. His father, a native of Brownfield, Maine, was for several years connected with the Treasury Department at Washington as deputy sixth auditor and was also collector of the port of Portland, Maine; he died in 1871.

Edward Herbert Davis was educated in the grammar and high schools at Washington, D. C., and at the Washington School of Fine Art, and acquired his practical training in the technique of the architectural profession during the several years he spent in the offices of C. A. Didden, Harvey L. Page, and the firm of Hornblower & Marshall in Washington, and Warren & Wetmore, of New York, and in the office of M. B. Houpt in Wilkes-Barre.

June 23, 1892, he opened offices in Scranton under his own name, and practiced architecture as an individual until 1919. In that year he took in as his partner George M. D. Lewis, and since then they have conducted this business under the firm name of Davis & Lewis. Their offices are at 809 Scranton Electric Building.

Some of the notable buildings designed and supervised by Mr. Davis individually, and by the firm of Davis & Lewis, include the Union National Bank Building, Bosak State Bank Building, Traders National Bank Building, Office building for the Scranton Gas & Water Company, Scranton Dry Goods Company, Scranton Times, Home for the Friendless, Maloney Memorial Home, group of buildings for the Scranton Poor District, Church of the Good Shepherd, parish house for the First Presbyterian Church, Wayne County Savings Bank, and many hospitals, schools, churches and other institutions and residences throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Mr. Davis is a Director of the Maccar Corporation. He is a Republican and is affiliated with the Green Ridge Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Lackawanna Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Melita Commandery, Knights Templar; Keystone Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Irem Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

He is an Associate of the American Institute of Architects, Scranton Society of Architects, New York Society of Architects and he is Presi-

dent of the New Building Code Commission of Scranton since its inception. He was a member of the State Commission for the Registration of Architects for the first five years of its organization. He is a member of Rotary and of the Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Green Ridge Club and Church of the Good Shepherd, Protestant Episcopal.

Mr. Davis married, June 21, 1888, Regina A. Shoemaker, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., daughter of Byron and Alice Shoemaker. Mrs. Davis died January 9, 1915. By this union was born one child, Edward H., Jr., born in 1891; died in 1898. Mr. Davis has since married Rena H. Howe, of Scranton, daughter of Thomas B. Howe.

Arthur E. Fuller, who is superintendent of the West Scranton post office, is a leading citizen of the community. He was born at Hawley, Wayne County, Pa., March 17, 1875, the son of Perry H. and Emma (Edwards) Fuller.

Perry H. Fuller, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Harford, Susquehanna County, Pa., July 27, 1839, and came to Scranton with his parents in 1850. He lived in Wayne County from 1860 until 1884, at which time he returned to Scranton. Mr. Fuller was prominent in this city as a painting contractor and interior decorator. He died Feb. 22, 1906, and his wife died March 19, 1914. Mr. Fuller served during the Civil War as a member of Company C, Second Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery and was wounded at the battle of Petersburg, Va. He was a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church and belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. There were two children in the Fuller family: Caroline, married J. A. Bartels, lives at Saugerties, N. Y.; and Arthur E., the subject of this sketch.

Arthur E. Fuller spent his boyhood in Scranton and attended the public schools. In early youth he became associated with his father in the painting and decorating business and was interested in that line of work for 18 years. He was appointed superintendent of the West Scranton post office on April 15, 1927. He lives at 614 North Hyde Park Avenue.

On Dec. 22, 1897, Mr. Fuller married Miss Mary Griffith, who was born at Crown Point, N. Y., March 17, 1878, the daughter of Thomas and Harriet (Burnish) Griffith. Mr. Griffith, deceased, was a native of England. He was an early settler of Scranton and served throughout the Civil War as a member of Company C, 52nd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was a Republican, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and a deacon of the Methodist Church. His widow, now 77 years of age, resides in Scranton with her daughter, Mrs. Fuller. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith were the parents of the following children: Genevieve, married F. D. Hackett, lives in Scranton; Margaret, married R. E. Brown, lives at Waycross, Ga.; Mary Fuller; Guy T., lives in Scranton; Henry B., lives at Dalton, Pa.; and Leslie R., lives in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Fuller five children were born: (1.) Alice E., born Aug. 19, 1899, married in March, 1925, to Harry

Rich, lives in Ohio. (2.) Burnish A., born Dec. 4, 1900, dairyman, Scranton, married Miss Florence Broadbent, of Scranton, and they have a daughter, Betty Jane. (3.) Mary, born Jan. 19, 1904, lives at home. (4.) Perry G., born Dec. 4, 1906. (5.) Caroline, born Jan. 6, 1909, a student.

Mr. Fuller is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Jr. O. U. A. M. and Modern Woodmen of America. He is also identified with the Postal Association of Supervisors, and Mechanics Club.

Rev. William P. Kealy, chancellor of the diocese of Scranton, St. Peter's Cathedral, is a prominent and influential man of Lackawanna County. He was born at Inkerman, Luzerne County, Pa., April 24, 1888, the son of John Henry and Mary Theresa (Burke) Kealy.

John Henry Kealy was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, and was the son of John Kealy. After a term of service in the British navy, John Henry Kealy came to the United States when 21 years of age and settled at Pittston, Pa., where he was employed in the coal mines. He lived retired for 15 years before his death, which occurred July 25, 1913. Mr. Kealy was a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belonged to the Ancient Order of Hibernians, being past president of the Inkerman branch, and a delegate to the state and national conventions. His wife was born at Ballinrobe, County Mayo, Ireland, and was two years of age when her parents emigrated to this country and settled at Minersville, Pa. Later they removed to Pittston. She was the daughter of John and Margaret (Hession) Burke. Mrs. Kealy died Feb. 25, 1902, and with her husband is buried in St. John's Cemetery, Pittston. To John Henry and Mary Theresa (Burke) Kealy nine children were born, as follows: Margaret, the widow of Thomas A. Farrell, lives at Plymouth, Pa.; Patrick, deceased; John, died Dec. 25, 1927; Mary, married William Moughan, lives at Inkerman; Delia, in religion known as Sister M. Eugenia, Immaculate Heart of Mary, was formerly superior of St. Paul's parochial school, Green Ride, Pa., now studying at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C.; Sarah, in religion known as Sister M. Evangela, Franciscan Order, is superior of St. Benedict School, Augusta, Ga.; Thomas, lives at Morristown, N. J.; William P., the subject of this sketch; and Helen, in religion known as Sister Jane de Chantal, Franciscan Order, a teacher in Our Lady of Peace parochial school, Brooklyn, N. Y.

William P. Kealy obtained his early education in the public schools of Jenkins Township, Luzerne County. He was graduated from St. John's High School, Pittston, in 1905, St. Thomas College in 1907, and St. Bonaventura College, in 1909, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In September, 1910, he entered the American College, Rome, Italy, and attended the lectures in theology in the University of the Propaganda, from which he was graduated in June, 1914, receiving the S. T. D. degree. He was ordained to the priesthood, Oct. 28, 1913, by Monsignor Pompili, vicar



REV. WM. P. KEALY

general of the diocese of Rome. In 1914, Father Kealy returned to the United States and in September of that year was appointed to St. Peter's Cathedral as professor of Latin in St. Thomas College, and chaplain of the House of the Good Shepherd. He taught until June, 1923, when after the consecration of Bishop Brennan, who was at that time chancellor, he was appointed his successor.

Father Kealy was chaplain of the Scranton Council of the Knights of Columbus.

P. J. McGinty.—One of the recognized leading men of Olyphant is P. J. McGinty, who is vice president and cashier of the First National Bank and president of the school board of Olyphant. He was born in this city and is the son of John and Margaret (Gallagher) McGinty.

John McGinty was among the first settlers of Scranton, having come to this country from Ireland, where he was born in 1841. For a number of years he was interested in mining and later owned and operated a hotel at Olyphant. He retired at the time of his death which occurred in 1917. His wife, also born in Ireland, died in 1907, at the age of 62 years. Both are buried in St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery, Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. McGinty had the following children: Mary, who has been a member of the faculty of Olyphant High School for 25 years; Mrs. Margaret Hastings, the widow of Michael Hastings, former chief of police of Olyphant, died in 1913; Edward F., a prominent physician of Olyphant, and also medical director of the local school district, is a graduate of Baltimore Medical College in the class of 1904; P. J., the subject of this sketch; John F., lives at Olyphant; Elizabeth Ward, lives at Elmhurst, Pa.; and James A., was killed in a crossing accident in Olyphant, in 1920. He was a leading physician and surgeon of Olyphant and at the time of his death was serving as medical director of the Olyphant school district.

P. J. McGinty attended the public schools of Olyphant and is a graduate of Woods Business College, Scranton, and Mansfield State Normal School. He began his business career as bookkeeper for Nelson & Morris Company, of Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, with whom he was identified for two years. He has been connected with the First National Bank of Olyphant since the time of its organization in 1902, having served as cashier since 1909, and as vice president since 1922.

Mr. McGinty was married June 21, 1904, to Miss Nora Nealon, of Carbondale. To this union has been born five children: John J., a graduate of Olyphant High School, Pennsylvania State College, now attends Harvard Law School; Edward F., a graduate of Olyphant High School, now attends Villa Nova College; Mary, a graduate of Olyphant High School, now attends Villa Marie College, Philadelphia; Eugene, and Paul, both at home.

Mr. McGinty is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and a Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the Scranton

ton Country Club and Abington Country Club. In politics he is identified with the Democratic party and he has served as president of the school board since 1912.

The First National Bank of Olyphant, which is one of the dependable banking institutions of Lackawanna County, was organized in 1902, with a capital stock of \$50,000, and no surplus. The first officers were: Edward S. Jones, president; B. J. Lynch, vice president; and E. N. Shirer, cashier. The present officers are: Michael Bosak, president; J. George Hufnagel, vice president; P. J. McGinty, vice president and cashier. The directors are: Michael Bosak, P. J. McGinty, Edward Evans, Jr., J. George Hufnagel, B. J. Lynch, Harry Needle, John Wiorkowski and P. A. Cannon.

The continuous growth and the large volume of deposits handled by this bank is the strongest evidence of public confidence. It is known as the bank that takes a personal interest in each depositor. It now has a capital stock of \$250,000, deposits of \$2,500,000, and surplus and profits of \$525,000.

Noble R. Johnston.—Among the progressive and enterprising men of Scranton is Noble R. Johnston, who is identified with the International Correspondence Schools as general manager of the International Textbook Press. He was born at Camden, N. J., Sept. 12, 1877, the son of James and Selina (Fish) Johnston.

James Johnston, who lives retired at Camden, N. J., is a native of Ohio and a veteran of the Civil War. In early manhood he settled at Camden, where he was well known for many years as a painting contractor. He is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife is deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were born six children: Rebecca, died at the age of 22 years; Jennie A., lives at home; Noble R., the subject of this sketch; James D., lives at Dundee, Ill.; Richmond S., living in Philadelphia, Pa., and Clarence F., Camden, N. J.

Noble R. Johnston obtained his education in the public schools of Camden, N. J., and began his career as a printer with the Times Printing Company, Philadelphia. He was later associated with McIntyre & Welden, and the Patterson-White Company of Philadelphia, in whose employ he remained for 12 years. He then went as general manager of the E. S. Parrett Company, Philadelphia, and after several years became associated with the N. W. Ayers Company, Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Johnston came to Scranton, Pa., in August, 1909, as assistant manager of the International Textbook Company, which is the printing plant of the International Correspondence Schools. He has held his present position as general manager since 1922.

Mr. Johnston has been twice married. On Oct. 22, 1903, he was married to Miss Ellen May Garrison, who was born in New Jersey in 1876. She died on March 30, 1921, leaving two children: Noble G., born Feb. 3,

1905, was a student of Cornell University, attends the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania; Edythe May, born July 14, 1909, attends Drexel Institute, Philadelphia; and a third, Horace Bedell, born June 2, 1911, died Jan. 31, 1916. The second marriage occurred on Sept. 27, 1923, to Miss Mabel Elberta Hathrill, of Moscow, Pa. They have a son, Robert Hathrill, born Oct. 2, 1924.

Mr. Johnston is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

Vincent Russoniello, well known architect of Scranton, with offices at 417 Ninth Street, was born in Italy, April 3, 1890, the son of Louis and Jennie (Cardone) Russoniello.

Louis Russoniello, deceased, was a native of Italy. After his arrival in the United States he spent several years in New York and Boston, and later came to Scranton, where he was connected with the Cassese Bank. He was a Republican and a member of St. Lucy's Catholic Church. He died Sept. 22, 1916, and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery. His widow lives in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Russoniello had three children: Pasquale, lives in Scranton; Concerta, deceased; and Vincent, the subject of this sketch.

Vincent Russoniello was 15 years of age when he came to the United States with his parents and settled in Scranton. He was employed by the Carlucci Stone Company as a stone cutter, and later served as a draftsman with this company. His next business connection was with John J. Howley, architect, with whom he was identified for nine years. In 1921 he became a member of the firm of Russoniello & Price, architects, and two years later engaged in private practice. He has had several important commissions, including St. Lucy's Catholic Church, The Holy Family Catholic Church, and St. Lucy's Parochial School.

On Oct. 6, 1915, Mr. Russoniello was united in marriage with Miss Mary Cassese, who was born at Weymouth, Mass., March 7, 1899, the daughter of Lawrence and Christina (Anzovini) Cassese, natives of Italy, and residents of Weymouth, Mass. For many years Mr. Cassese lived in Scranton, where he was well known in business circles. He is now retired. Mr. and Mrs. Cassese have the following children: Anthony, a World War veteran, lives at Weymouth; Americo, a World War veteran, lives at Weymouth; Mary Russoniello; Theresa, married Angelo Vergobbi, Weymouth, Mass.; Michael, lives at East Baintree, Mass.; Anna, and Pauline, live at Weymouth, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Russoniello have three children: Louis, born April 14, 1917; Jennie, born Sept. 17, 1919; and Lawrence, born Nov. 17, 1922.

Mr. Russoniello is a Republican, and a member of St. Lucy's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge, Foresters of America and Victor Alfieri Club.

Bart J. Lynch, realtor, is well and favorably known among the successful business men of Scranton. He was born at Olyphant, Pa., March 2, 1876, the son of James J. and Mary E. (Mooney) Lynch.

James J. Lynch, deceased, was a representative citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in Ireland, and was one of the prominent pioneer business men of Olyphant, where he was president of the Olyphant Water Company. He was also president of the Dickson City Water Company and president of the Priceburg Electric Light Company. Mary E. (Mooney) Lynch was born at Carbondale, Pa.

Bart J. Lynch attended the public schools of Olyphant and was graduated from Millersville Normal School in 1895. He spent the following year at Pierce Business College, Philadelphia, after which he returned to Olyphant. Mr. Lynch served as manager of Lynch's Department Store until 1915, at which time he retired from merchantile business and became interested in the real estate business in Scranton. He has offices in the Lincoln Trust Building, and has extensive real estate interests in Olyphant, as well as Scranton. He is a director of the First National Bank of Olyphant and of the Home Realty Savings & Loan Association, and a director of the Scranton Real Estate Board.

On June 18, 1902, Mr. Lynch was united in marriage with Miss Gertrude H. Miller, of Lancaster, Pa. They have a daughter, Emeline Hershey Lynch.

Mr. Lynch is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Olyphant, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, Kiwanis Club, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Irish-American Society. He is an enterprising and energetic citizen and has a wide acquaintance in Lackawanna County. He resides at 135 Main Street, Blakely, Pa.

Joseph Bianca, Jr., a successful architect of Scranton, is one of the foremost young business men of that city. He was born in Italy, July 22, 1894, the son of Joseph and Roslyn (Casio) Bianca.

Joseph Bianca, Sr., brought his family to the United States in 1898 and settled in Scranton. He owns one of the largest monumental works in the city and is a substantial man of the community in which he lives. He has always been a Republican and holds membership in St. Lucy's Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Bianca the following children were born: Rose, married Gasper Mira, lives in Philadelphia; Salvatore, and Vincent, who live in Scranton; Joseph, the subject of this sketch; Caroline, married Salvatore Mira, lives in Scranton; Frank, lives in Scranton; and Josephine, married Raymond Curzo, lives in Scranton.

Joseph Bianca, Jr., was educated in the public schools of Scranton. Immediately after finishing his schooling he became interested in architecture and since 1914 has engaged in business for himself with offices in Scranton. Among his outstanding contracts may be mentioned S. M.



BART J. LYNCH

Incoronato Catholic Church, Hazelton, Pa., and the Convent of the Most Precious Blood Catholic Church.

On July 8, 1919, Mr. Bianca was married to Miss Caroline Gelmini, who was born in Scranton, April 16, 1900, the daughter of Valentino and Rose (Vazzana) Gelmini, natives of Italy. Mr. Gelmini, who died March 5, 1922, was an early settler of Scranton, and a well known merchant. His widow resides with Mr. and Mrs. Bianca. They have two daughters: Rosyln, born Nov. 10, 1920; and Rose, born May 9, 1922.

William M. Lynch, M. D., is prominent among the leading physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County, being widely known as the capable superintendent of the Farview State Hospital. He was born at Leona, Pa., Oct. 30, 1876, and is the son of James D. and Louise (Mershon) Lynch.

James Lynch, grandfather of William M. Lynch, was a native of the Province of Ulster, Ireland. He emigrated to the United States in 1834 and settled in New York City, where he pursued his trade as a stone mason. He married Mary Flood. Their son, James D. Lynch, was born in New York City, Nov. 8, 1836. In early life he removed to Newark, N. J., where he was employed as a painter in a carriage factory. In 1857 he came to Pennsylvania and settled at Waverly. He served in the Civil War and afterward went to Trenton, N. J. After two years he became the foreman for the Peter Herdick Company, painting contractors of Philadelphia. He subsequently followed this work independently and after a career that included travel and residence in many parts of Pennsylvania, he settled at Clark Summit, where he died in 1918. His wife died in 1924. Mr. and Mrs. Lynch had the following children: Charlotte, deceased, was the wife of G. W. Mingos; Samuel Edward, M. D., resident physician at the Blakely Home, Scott Township, Lackawanna County; Caroline B., married G. R. Barber, druggist, lives at Doylestown, Pa.; William M., the subject of this sketch; and Frank Ward, M. D., lives at El Paso, Texas.

William M. Lynch received his early education in the public schools at Athens, Pa. In 1896 he became a clerk in the office of the county commissioners resigning his position the following year to enter the Medical Chirurgical College, at Philadelphia, from which he received his degree as Doctor of Medicine in 1901. Soon after his graduation he became the assistant of Dr. J. J. Billheimer, of Dickson City, Pa. On March 1, 1902, he accepted the resident physician position at the Hillside Home, remaining there until Jan. 1, 1907. He then established his practice at Old Forge, Pa., where he remained until 1912, at which time he was elected coroner of Lackawanna County to succeed Dr. J. J. Saltry. In 1914 Doctor Lynch was elected state senator and in July, 1917, accepted his present responsible position as superintendent of Farview State Hospital.

On June 10, 1903, Doctor Lynch was married to Miss Jessie Meade of Clarks Green, Pa. They had the following children; Muriel, born April 1,

1904, died in infancy; Janet M., attended Mrs. Summers School, Washington, D. C., and Brenau College, Gainesville, Ga., married Philip J. Krantz, Jr., of Honesdale, Pa.; and Jean Louise, attended Mrs. Summers School, Washington, D. C., attends Penn Hall School, Chambersburg, Pa.

Doctor Lynch is a member of the Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge in its various branches. He is a Republican.

John McAndrew, of Childs, is one of the leading citizens of Carbondale Township, of which he has served as tax collector for the past 12 years. He was born at Childs, Sept. 29, 1864, the son of Patrick and Bridget (Lynch) McAndrew.

Patrick McAndrew, deceased, was among the first settlers of Lackawanna County, having come to this country from Ireland with his parents in 1843. He died Nov. 7, 1889, and is buried in Carbondale. His wife is also a member of a pioneer family of this section, being the daughter of John and Nora (Pace) Lynch. She was born in Carbondale in 1840 and still resides there. To Mr. and Mrs. McAndrew the following children were born: John, the subject of this sketch; Sister Xavier, St. Cecelia's Convent, Scranton; William, mention of whom is made below; Elizabeth, superintendent of Emergency Hospital, Carbondale; Bridget, married Charles Heid, lives at Carbondale; Margaret, principal of School No. 9, Carbondale; Gertrude, married James Dunlavey, lives at Carbondale; and Hannah, died in 1913.

William McAndrew, who had served as a member of the Carbondale police department for a period of 22 years, was shot and killed while in the faithful performance of duty on Jan. 16, 1913. At the time of his death he was lieutenant of police. He was an efficient officer and one of the best liked and well known men on the police force. A monument was recently erected in the city park of Carbondale in memory of this brave and well loved officer.

John McAndrew obtained a meager education, leaving school at the age of ten years to work in the coal mines of Pennsylvania. Later he served as a member of the police force of Olyphant for seven years and in 1902 became interested in the wholesale liquor business at Childs. He has lived retired since 1919.

On April 24, 1895, Mr. McAndrew married Miss Cecile Clark, of Wayne County, Pa., the daughter of Thomas and Bridget (Eagons) Clark, both deceased. They have five children: Claver, born in 1897, a member of the police department of Detroit, Mich.; Walter, born in 1899, lives in Carbondale; Paul, a graduate of Carbondale High School, attends St. Boniface College, Alleghany, N. Y.; Helen, a graduate of Carbondale High School, lives at home; and Louise, a graduate of St. Rose's Academy and Stroudsburg College.

Mr. McAndrew is a Democrat, a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree.

P. A. Clifford.—Among the progressive business men of Carbondale is P. A. Clifford, who is manager of the Carbondale Children's Dress Company. He was born at Leetonia, Ohio, June 12, 1891, and is the son of James and Bridget (Mahon) Clifford.

Both James Clifford and his wife are deceased. They were natives of Scranton and spent the greater part of their lives in that city, where Mr. Clifford was connected with the iron industry. He died in 1924 at the age of 60 years, and his wife died in 1907. They were the parents of the following children: John, deceased; Anna, married James Campbell, lives at Newcastle, Del.; Nellie, married Patrick Bohan; P. A., the subject of this sketch; William, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; Arthur and Joseph, live in Scranton; and Winifred, married Charles Teller, lives in New York City. Mr. Clifford married after the death of his first wife, her sister, Winifred Mahon, who is also deceased. They had two sons: James and Thomas, who live in Scranton.

P. A. Clifford spent his early life in Scranton and attended the public schools. He spent five years in the west, and upon his return to Scranton was employed by the Edison Lamp Works. He later became associated with the Scranton Dress Company at Archbald, Pa., and since 1923 has been identified with the Carbondale Children's Dress Company.

In August, 1917, Mr. Clifford married Miss Marie Egli, of Scranton. They have five children; Eleanor, Frank, Philip, Robert, and Joseph.

Mr. Clifford is a Democrat and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

T. J. Mulholland.—Numbered among the prominent and highly successful business men of Carbondale is T. J. Mulholland, who is treasurer and general manager of the Mulholland Ice Cream Company. He was born at Jermyn, in Lackawanna County, and is a son of Bernard and Anne (Gardner) Mulholland.

Bernard Mulholland, deceased, was a native of Ireland, being born in County Down, near City of Belfast, in January, 1834. He spent most of his life in Lackawanna County and was a prosperous farmer and stockman. He was also interested in mining for a number of years. Mr. Mulholland died in 1918, and his wife, who was born in Ireland, Sept. 2, 1832, died in 1900. Both are buried in Jermyn Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Mulholland were the parents of 12 children.

T. J. Mulholland attended the local schools of Jermyn and helped farm on the home place in his early youth. He then became successfully engaged in the dairy business with his brother, M. F. Mulholland who died in 1925. Later, Mr. Mulholland combined the dairy interests with the ice cream business, which now bears his name. The business was incorporated in 1924 as the Mulholland Ice Cream Company with the following board of directors: T. J. Mulholland, R. H. Kerwin, M. F. Mulholland, C. H. Taylor, and Miss Ellen Mulholland. The plant, which is

located in City of Carbondale, is modern throughout, and has an annual output of 250,000 gallons of ice cream. Approximately 45 people are employed by this firm, which carries on its extensive business within a radius of 20 miles of Carbondale. The company owns and operates a fleet of 17 automobile trucks.

Mr. Mulholland married Miss Florence Campbell of Carbondale. They have no children.

Mr. Mulholland is a member of St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church and holds membership in the Elks Lodge and Knights of Columbus. He is also a director of St. Joseph's Hospital, Carbondale, and the Simpson State Bank.

Andrew B. Warman.—One of the leading citizens of Scranton, well known throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania as an influential business man is Andrew B. Warman, who is president of the Lackawanna Laundry, Inc. He was born at Stewartsville, N. J., the son of Theodore P. and Susanna Catherine (Beers) Warman.

Theodore P. Warman, deceased, was a well known citizen of Scranton. Both he and his wife were natives of Stewartsville, N. J., where he spent his early life as a farmer. Later he removed to Easton, Pa., and was associated with the business of E. G. Warman & Brother in Scranton until 1873, at which time he retired. Mr. Warman was a Republican and a member of the Baptist Church. He and his wife are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. They were the parents of nine children, of whom Andrew B., the subject of this sketch, was the youngest.

Andrew B. Warman spent his boyhood on his father's farm in New Jersey. He later attended the public schools of Scranton and for several years was employed as a clerk by Frank L. Crane, the latter. In 1886 he became interested in the laundry business at 304 Penn Avenue. The business enjoyed a steady growth and was incorporated in 1912 as the A. B. Warman Lackawanna Laundry Company. In September, 1926, it was merged with the Associated Laundries of America, with headquarters in Syracuse, N. Y. Mr. Warman is president of the corporation and his son, Saron B. Warman, is vice president. Many of the company's oldest employees are among the company's largest stockholders. The Lackawanna Laundry Company, Inc., which maintains agencies throughout Pennsylvania, is one of the leading organizations of its kind in the country. The service is motorized and electrically equipped throughout. Mr. Warman is a director of the Associated Laundries of America, the Maccar Truck Company, Scranton, and the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, Scranton.

In 1885, Mr. Warman was married to Miss Mary Ida Stillwell, the daughter of S. B. and Catherine (Edinger) Stillwell, natives of Pennsylvania, both now deceased. Mrs. Warman is deceased. To Andrew B. and Mary Ida (Stillwell) Warman three children were born; Sarah B., a graduate of Hotchkiss School and Yale University, is vice president and general



ANDREW B. WARMAN

manager of the Lackawanna Laundry Company, Inc., is a World War veteran, married Miss Helen Bower, and they have a son, Saron Stillwell Warman; Kathryn Stillwell, deceased, was a graduate of Mrs. Dow's School of Briercliff, N. Y., married John K. Speed, of Memphis, Tenn., and had a son, John Kay Speed; and Donald, a graduate of Hotchkiss School and Yale University, associated with Blair & Company, lives in New York City.

Mr. Warman was married in 1927 to Miss Elizabeth Williams, the daughter of John T. Williams, of Scranton.

Mr. Warman is a Republican, a trustee of Emmanuel Baptist Church, and a director of the Y. M. C. A. He also holds membership in the Scranton Club, the Country Club of Scranton, and Rotary Club.

Osee Dan DeWitt is a representative business man of Scranton, where he is vice president of the Green Ridge Bank, and also interested in the automobile business. He was born at Rockford, Ill., June 9, 1858, and is the son of Isaac M. and Lucy E. (Spencer) DeWitt.

Isaac M. DeWitt, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War, having served as a sergeant in the 28th Volunteer Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was a native of Pennsylvania and prominent in the lumber business at Tunkhannock. He died in 1896 and his wife died in 1901. Both are buried in Sunnyside Cemetery, Tunkhannock. Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt were the parents of the following children: Eva, deceased, was the wife of William Collins, and they had three children, Joanna, Vincent, and Francis; George D., lives retired at Tunkhannock; O. D., the subject of this sketch; Warren Spencer, senior member of the firm, DeWitt Lumber Company, Scranton; Martha, married L. B. Hodge, lives at Hazelton, Pa.; and Walter, died at the age of 17 years.

O. D. DeWitt came to Susquehanna County with his parents when a small child, and they located at Brooklyn. In 1872 they removed to Wyoming County, Pa., where Mr. DeWitt completed his schooling. He was interested in the lumber business at Tunkhannock until 1896 and at that time came to Scranton, where he continued in the same line of business in partnership with his brother, W. S. DeWitt, the business being known as DeWitt Brothers. This firm continued in business for nine years, at which time O. D. DeWitt became interested in the real estate and insurance business in Scranton. In 1911 he embarked in the automobile business and since that date has been the local agent for the Franklin automobile. His up-to-date salesroom and garage is located at 732 Wyoming Avenue. Mr. DeWitt has also been vice president of the Green Ridge Bank of Scranton since the date of its organization in 1913. F. F. Hendrickson is president and James A. Wynkoop is cashier.

On Oct. 26, 1881, Mr. DeWitt was united in marriage with Miss Priscilla Gardner, of Tunkhannock, Pa., and to them were born two children: Harry Gardner, born July 4, 1886, lives at Scranton, is a graduate of Lafayette College, married Ethel Miller, deceased, and two children, Harry

G., Jr., and Barbara, blessed this union; and he later married Alice Scott Stevens, and two children, Alice and O. D. DeWitt, II., have been born to them; he is also foster father to Selton and Robert Stevens. Hazel Pearl, married Thomas Russell Hazzard, lives at Scranton, and they have three children, Thomas R., Priscilla, and Frank.

Politically, Mr. DeWitt is identified with the Republican party and he is active in all prohibition work. He is a member of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Modern Woodmen of America. He has a wide acquaintance in the city and is highly esteemed.

Emilio Deantonio, M. D., who has been a resident of Scranton since 1904, is one of the most successful practitioners of his profession in the city. He was born at Alexandria, Italy, Oct. 4, 1871, the son of Francisco and Angelina (Rossi) Deantonio.

Francisco Deantonio was a distinguished medical man of his time in Italy, and was a poet of note. He translated the famous poem "DeRerum Natura" into Italian. He died at the age of 55 years and is buried in Alexandria. Recently one of the most beautiful streets in that city was named in his honor. His wife is also deceased. To Doctor and Mrs. Deantonio the following children were born: Felice, a leading attorney, of Torino, Italy; General Carlo, of the Italian Army, served throughout the World War; Emilio, the subject of this sketch; Attilio, professor of literature in the technical school of Pinerolo, Italy, and also a well known writer; Mrs. Louisa Tiscar, wife of the Italian consul of Scranton; and Mrs. Juila Fasella, whose husband is professor of mathematics in the high school at Milano, Italy.

Emilio Deantonio attended the schools of Alexandria and Torino. He studied medicine at the University of Pavia, in Italy, where he later served as assistant to the famous Dr. Rampoldi. He then returned to Alexandria, where he engaged in general practice and also took an active part in politics. He was for a time superintendent of the Bureau of Health of the city. He came to the United States in 1904, where he has since engaged in general practice with offices at 326 Franklin Avenue, Scranton. He has an excellent practice which extends throughout the state and represents at least ten nationalities.

In 1917 Dr. Deantonio married Miss Anna Conapinch, of Scranton. She is a graduate nurse and was connected with Thompson Hospital, Scranton, before her marriage. Doctor and Mrs. Deantonio have seven children: Emilio, Jr., born May 14, 1919; Carlo, born Nov. 16, 1921; Angelina and Ursula, twins, born March 8, 1923; Marialuisa, born Feb. 17, 1925, and Josephine and Eleonora, twins, born Jan. 29, 1928.

Dr. Deantonio is a director of the Scranton Private Hospital, and is vice president of the Family Welfare Association of Scranton. He is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania.

State Medical Society, and American Medical Association. He is on the Advisory Board of the Visiting Nurse Association. He is one of the organizers of the Community Chest. He is a member of the Abington Golf Country Club. Dr. Deantonio lives at 917 Sunset Street.

Dr. Deantonio is honorably mentioned among the loyal Americans because they were loyal and patriotic home-supporters in some manner, through War Relief Societies and to them the world will be everlastingly indebted for the funds supplied so generously.

Henry C. McGrath.—One of the best known and most esteemed of the younger attorneys of the City of Scranton is Henry C. McGrath, who is a member of the firm of Welles, Mumford & Stark with offices in the Connell Building. He was born in Scranton, April 8, 1898, the son of William H. and Susan (Backus) McGrath.

Mr. McGrath is a grandson of Israel Backus, a native of England, who came to this country in his youth and was connected with the Allis-Chalmers Company in Scranton. His paternal grandfather, Henry McGrath, who was born in Ireland, was among the early settlers of Scranton; for many years he was Superintendent of the Lackawanna Iron & Steel Company, was prominent in the business and social life of Scranton and was a close friend and associate of the late W. W. Scranton. William H. McGrath the father of Henry C., was born in Scranton and was associated with the Lackawanna Iron & Steel Company also. He died in 1899 and his widow Susan B. McGrath who was born in Schuylkill County, Pa., resides in Scranton. Their only child was Henry C., the subject of this sketch.

Henry C. McGrath attended St. Paul's School, Green Ridge, Scranton, was graduated from St. Thomas' College, Scranton, in 1916, from the Catholic University of America, in Washington, D. C., in 1917, with the degree of Master of Arts and in 1921 received the degree of Bachelor of Law from Harvard University. During the war he was in the Army serving with the Infantry. He spent two years in practice in New York City, and since 1923 has been located in Scranton. He is a member and Director of the Lackawanna Bar Association and is Chairman of the Committee on Meetings, one of the major Committees of the Association. He is also Director of the Northern Anthracite Coal Company.

Mr. McGrath is a member of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church and the Harvard Club of Philadelphia. At Harvard University he was a member of the Harlan Law Club. In politics he is independent.

S. W. Arnold is a substantial citizen of Peckville, where he served as justice of the peace for a period of 45 years. He was born at Uniondale, Susquehanna County, Pa., Dec. 31, 1850, the son of George W. and Mary A. (Peck) Arnold.

George W. Arnold, deceased, was a native of Susquehanna County. He was a well known manufacturer and also operated a grist and saw

mill at Uniondale. He died in 1858 and his wife is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold were the parents of three children, two of whom are deceased.

S. W. Arnold lived at Uniondale until 1865 and received his education in the schools there. He then removed to Peckville, where he entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company as a clerk. He was associated with this concern about five years, after which he engaged in the milling business at Peckville. Later he successfully conducted a hardware business here for 25 years. Mr. Arnold is now living retired. He was appointed justice of the peace in 1880 and held that office until January, 1926, being succeeded by Charles Harding. Mr. Arnold was one of the organizers of the Peckville National Bank and has been a director of that institution from the date of its founding.

On Feb. 9, 1875, Mr. Arnold was married to Miss Emma Arnold, of Oil City, Pa. They have a daughter, Stella M., who is the wife of A. W. Thompson, Peckville.

Although an independent in politics, Mr. Arnold has always taken a keen interest in civic affairs. He has no church or lodge affiliations.

A. W. Crossman, whose name is well and favorably known in the business life of Scranton, was born in North Scranton, Jan. 5, 1886, the son of Charles F. and Mary C. (Wheeler) Crossman.

Charles F. Crossman was born at East Benton, in Lackawanna County, Nov. 28, 1856. He was a successful merchant of Scranton for many years and died Dec. 11, 1917. His widow, who was born at Tompkinsville, in Lackawanna County, now resides in the old homestead at Providence. Their only child is A. W., the subject of this sketch.

A. W. Crossman grew up in North Scranton, attending Public School No. 25 at Providence Square, and the Central High School, from which he was graduated in 1904. During his school years and for one year after graduation he worked at his father's store, as clerk and teamster. In 1905 he went to work for the coal department of the Delaware & Hudson Company in their supply purchasing office. In 1907 he became teller and bookkeeper for the Scranton Savings Bank. About two years later he became associated with Grant L. Bell, who was then serving as treasurer and comptroller of the Title Guaranty & Surety Company. For about a year Mr. Crossman was resident secretary of the company's branch office at Washington, D. C. When the Title Guaranty & Surety Company discontinued business, Mr. Crossman associated himself with another concern in a similar line and for four years he was traveling auditor and agency supervisor for states east of the Mississippi River, with offices in Boston, Mass.

Mr. Crossman again became associated with Grant L. Bell shortly after Mr. Bell established his present accounting firm, where Mr. Crossman is still employed as a supervising accountant, with office in the Traders National Bank Building.



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Mr. Crossman is also treasurer of the Pennsylvania Appraisal Company and treasurer of the American Coal Sales Company. He is also a director in the Shamokin Anthracite Coal Company and the Northumberland Mining Company.

As a youth Mr. Crossman was a carrier for the Scranton Times, being under the direction of the editor of this history, Mr. Thomas Murphy, who was then manager of the North Scranton branch. During his high school days he also was a reporter and correspondent for the old Scranton Tribune.

From 1905 to 1912 Mr. Crossman served as a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard and held the rank of second lieutenant, Company H, Thirteenth Regiment.

For fifteen years Mr. Crossman resided at Clarks Green, a suburb of Scranton, where he served three terms as school director. He has been active in the Boy Scout movement since its inception, and although now a resident of Scranton, is still a member of the General Scout Committee at Clarks Summit.

Mr. Crossman is a Republican, and a member of the Clarks Summit Presbyterian Church. He is also a member of all of the Masonic bodies, the Engineers' Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, a charter member and vice-president of the Scranton Chapter, National Association of Cost Accountants, Scranton Chamber of Commerce, Scranton Country Club, Abington Hills Country Club and Irem Temple Country Club at Dallas, Pa.

Mr. Crossman owns a farm at Harford, Susquehanna County, where he is doing considerable work in reforestation.

On Sept. 27, 1913, Mr. Crossman was married to Miss Edna LaReaux, of Danville, Pa., and they have two children: A. W., Jr., born July 19, 1915; and Nancy Grant, born July 12, 1919.

B. F. McGinnis, of Jessup, holds the distinction of being the youngest justice of the peace in Lackawanna County and state of Pennsylvania. He was born at Jessup, Aug. 17, 1904, and is the son of Thomas and Hannah (Barrett) McGinnis.

Both Thomas McGinnis and his wife were natives of Ireland and early settlers of Lackawanna County, having located here almost 50 years ago. Mr. McGinnis followed mining throughout his active career and was one of the first miners in the Jessup region. Mr. and Mrs. McGinnis are deceased. They were the parents of 13 children, of whom B. F., the subject of this sketch, is the youngest. A brother, James, served as school director at Jessup.

After attending the public schools of Jessup, B. F. McGinnis was associated with Squire Munley, former justice of the peace, and in November, 1925, was elected justice of the peace.

Mr. McGinnis is a Democrat and a member of St. James Catholic Church. He is single. Mr. McGinnis since the age of eight has been a

cripple. He enjoyed the distinction of being the youngest justice of the peace, and was appointed Jury Commissioner of Lackawanna (in January, 1928), being judged the most worthy to hold that office, out of a large field of candidates, by Judge Newcomb.

Mr. McGinnis has always taken a leading part in promoting civic affairs, he is an honorary member of the Fire department and several other organizations. He is also the youngest Jury Commissioner in the State of Pennsylvania. He is also a protege of the well known Democrat leader, Josie Langan.

B. S. Gruber.—One of the foremost automobile men of Lackawanna County is B. S. Gruber, who is agent for the Reo automobile in Scranton and Carbondale. He was born at Gaatz, Roumania, Aug. 30, 1886, and emigrated to this country when he was 14 years of age. He completed his schooling in New York City and began his business career with the Singer Sewing Machine Company. He spent five years as an agent for this company in Newark, N. J., and was later employed by the Prudential Life Insurance Company, in Newark, N. J. He went back to White Sewing Machine Company as manager at Wilkes-Barre, where he spent several years. He has lived in Scranton since 1916. Since then Mr. Gruber has been interested in the automobile business, being Ford representative in this city until June, 1923. During that period he sold 2,000 cars and was one of the most successful Ford dealers in this section of the state; his success has continued with the Reo automobile and since 1924 he has had the agency for this car at Carbondale, where a new sales room and service station are now under construction. B. F. Morgan is manager of the Carbondale branch. Approximately 36 men are employed by Mr. Gruber.

On June 18, 1914, Mr. Gruber was united in marriage with Miss Anna S. Stone, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. They have a son, Arthur, born Nov. 17, 1925.

Mr. Gruber is a member of the Temple of Israel, Scranton, and belongs to the Y. M. H. A. Fellowship Club, Elks Lodge, Chamber of Commerce, and Commercial Association of Scranton. He is the owner of much valuable real estate in Scranton, Peckville and Carbondale, Pa.

John F. Lally.—Perhaps one of the best known men of Lackawanna County is John F. Lally, who has served as chief of police of Winton Boro for the past 25 years. He was born in County Mayo, Ireland, April 15, 1876, the son of Patrick and Mary (Barrett) Lally.

After his arrival in the United States in 1884, Patrick Lally settled in Lackawanna County, where he was employed in the coal mines. He spent the greater part of his life at Winton and for a number of years was custodian of Franklin school. Mr. Lally is now 80 years of age. His

wife died in 1911, and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Olyphant. They had the following children: Patrick, William, and Marie, all deceased; John F., the subject of this sketch; Catherine, married Martin J. Loftus, lives at Jessup; Dennis, lives at Jessup; Mary, married Frank Mahan, lives at Jessup; Martin, attorney, lives at Jessup; Margaret, married Thomas McAinary, lives at Chicago, Ill.; and Celina, married Edward Judge, lives at Minooka, Pa.

John F. Lally was eight years of age when he came to this country from Ireland. He was educated in the schools of Winton, where he has continued to reside. In early life he worked in the coal mines and later served as a member of the local police force. Mr. Lally served throughout the Spanish-American War and after his discharge in 1901 was appointed chief of police at Winton.

Mr. Lally was married Jan. 1, 1909, to Miss Tessie McDermott, of Jessup. They have no children.

Mr. Lally has always been a Democrat and has taken an active part in local politics. He and his wife hold membership in St. James Catholic Church and have a wide acquaintance in the community where they have spent so many years.

P. J. Moore, state mine inspector, living at Carbondale, is a highly esteemed and well known resident of Lackawanna County. He was born at Minersville, Schuylkill County, Pa., Aug. 27, 1863, the son of Patrick and Esther (McCabe) Moore.

Patrick Moore, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He came to the United States in early life and settled in Boston, Mass., where he was employed in a shoe factory for five years. Later he removed to Minersville, Pa., and worked as a miner for the Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company. In 1876 Mr. Moore removed to Carbon County, and later to Luzerne County, where he died in 1900, at the age of 85 years. He served among the last enlistment of the Civil War. He was a member of the Catholic Church and was a justice of the peace at Minersville for many years, being known as "Squire" Moore. He was a man of simple habits and was well known in the community. His wife was also a native of Ireland. To Mr. and Mrs. Moore the following children were born: Catherine, deceased; Mary, married Patrick Burns, lives at Warrior Run, Pa.; Catherine, the widow of James Motley, lives in Washington, D. C.; Patrick J., the subject of this sketch; John, lives at Vandling, Pa.; Elizabeth, married Patrick McGuire, lives in Washington, D. C.; Alice, the widow of William Dowling, lives in Washington, D. C.; and Edward, an attorney, lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

P. J. Moore spent his boyhood in Pennsylvania and as a boy was employed in the coal mines. He spent several years at Warrior Run and came to Carbondale as an employe of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company, serving as mine foreman. On Jan. 1, 1903, he began his duties as

State Mine Inspector of Pennsylvania, in which capacity he has since ably served.

In 1885 Mr. Moore was united in marriage with Miss Anna Brislin, of Warrior Run, Pa. She died in 1904, and is buried in St. Rose's Cemetery, Carbondale. To this union the following children were born: Alice and Charles, both deceased; Esther, married Matthew Jehen, lives in Scranton, and they have the following children, Matthew, Joseph, James, Mary, Jane, John, Edward, and Clara; Mary, married Daniel Sullivan, lives at Dunmore, and they have the following children: Anna, Daniel, Gerard, and Marie; Bessie, married Clement Tighe, lives at Syracuse, N. Y., and they have a son, Charles; Sarah, married James Crane, lives in Carbondale, where he is superintendent of schools; James, married Miss Mary Wintegras, lives at Carbondale; Joseph, died in February, 1926, at the age of 24 years; Edward and Margaret, both died in infancy.

Mr. Moore was married in 1907 to Bridget Collins, of Carbondale, the daughter of Roger and Bridget (Pidgeon) Collins, both deceased.

Mr. Moore is a Democrat and a member of St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church.

Otto J. Robinson.—One of the outstanding citizens of Scranton is Otto Robinson, who for many years has been identified with the city's business life. Mr. Robinson was born in Scranton, June 28, 1876, the son of Philip and Mina (Schimpff) Robinson.

Philip Robinson was born in Lauterecken, Rheinpfalz, Bavaria, Germany, in 1841, and came to the United States in 1854 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Robinson. They settled in Scranton, where the elder Mr. Robinson founded the first brewery in this section of the country. He was succeeded in the business by his son, Philip, Jr., who became sole owner of the business in 1868. He died in September, 1879, and at the time of his death was recognized as one of the leading business men of the city. He was a man of much prominence in the community and active in Democratic politics. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He married Mina Schimpff, the daughter of Jacob Schimpff, of Bavaria, Germany. Four sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Robinson: Philip, Edmund J., Robert, and Otto.

Philip and Edmund J. Robinson were born in Scranton and were educated in the public schools of Scranton and attended Wyoming Seminary. They served as managers of the concern when it was merged with the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company. Edmund J. was exceedingly active in the financial world of Scranton and became identified with a number of important business institutions. He was president of the Pomeroy (Ohio) Water Company, director of the Traders National Bank, Scranton, director of the Lackawanna National Bank, West Seneca, N. Y., and a director and stockholder in many local industrial concerns in Scranton. He was a Democrat and in 1896 held the office of city controller and



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in 1899 served as city treasurer. Mr. Robinson died June 12, 1904, and is buried in Scranton.

Robert Robinson was born in Scranton, Dec. 18, 1869. He attended the local public schools and began his business career as a bookkeeper for the Merchants & Mechanics Bank, Scranton. After three years he became identified with the Robinson Brewing Company. He died very suddenly, Dec. 24, 1898. Mr. Robinson was a Democrat and at the age of 21 years was elected to the City Council, which office he held for two terms. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Royal Arcanum, Patriotic Sons of America, and Order of Redmen Camp No. 430.

Otto J. Robinson grew up in Scranton and after the completion of his early schooling he attended Wood's Business College. At an early age he became associated with the brewing business and for many years was president of the Standard Brewing Company. This company was entirely independent. Mr. Robinson maintains various business interests, being president of the Scranton Building & Loan Association, and director of the South Side Bank.

Mr. Robinson was married to Miss Bessie Jones, of Scranton, and they have the following children: Otto Jr., Edmund, Robert, Christian, Wilhelmina, and Elizabeth.

Mr. Robinson has always been a Democrat and has served as school director for ten years. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge.

Philip Robinson was born Aug. 24, 1864, and died Dec. 7, 1921. He served as city councilman in the Nineteenth Ward and was active in all civic affairs. He was treasurer of the Masonic Lodge for a good many years.

Walter H. Jones.—One of the representative business men of Scranton is Walter H. Jones, real estate operator, who has offices at 206 North Main Street. He was born in this city, Dec. 27, 1873, and is a son of Henry D. and Mary E. (Lewis) Jones.

Henry D. Jones, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born near Pottsville, and was the son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Phillips) Jones. Daniel Jones came to this country from Wales at an early date and settled in Carbondale, where he became the operator of numerous coal lands. His son, Henry D., became associated with Richards & Howell, merchants, of Scranton, and later engaged in the grocery business at 105 South Main Street, where he continued until 1870. He then removed to 1109 Jackson Street, where he conducted the "Pickadilly" store until 1898, when he retired. Mr. Jones died in 1901, at the age of 60 years, and is buried in the Washburn Cemetery, Scranton. He was a member of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church and served as treasurer for 25 years. His first wife, Mary E. Lewis, died in 1881, and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. To that union two sons were born: Lewis H.,

lives in Scranton; and Walter H., the subject of this sketch. Mr. Jones later married Miss Mary Jane Lowery, of Scranton. They had a son, Oscar Stanley Jones, who is associated with the jewelry firm of Rogers & Company, Scranton. Mrs. Jones is also deceased, and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton.

Walter H. Jones received his early education in the public schools of Scranton, and in 1900 was graduated from Bloomsburg State Normal School. At an early age he entered banking circles and until 1904 served as bookkeeper of the West Side Bank. He then became connected with the Keystone Bank as teller, and in August, 1909, resigned this position in order to accept a more remunerative one with the Dime Bank under the direction of Harry Dunham and William Cawley. After seven months with this institution Mr. Jones organized the Electric City Bank of Scranton, which opened for business July 1, 1910. Mr. Jones served as the capable cashier of this bank until Jan. 1, 1927, when he resigned. He has since devoted his time to his real estate investments. He is also treasurer of the Pocono Development Company.

On Aug. 12, 1907, Mr. Jones was united in marriage with Miss Rachael A. Jones, of Scranton. She is a graduate of Scranton High School and for 20 years was a teacher in the Scranton public schools. She is a member of the Century Club, Foreign Missionary Society, Ladies Aid Society, Craftsmen's Club, and Lackawanna Council of the Federation of Republican Women.

Mr. Jones is a member of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Scranton Canoe Club, Y. M. C. A., and Chamber of Commerce, Junior Order United American Mechanics, and Washington Chapter, No. 178, P. O. S. of A.

John M. Seamans is among the substantial and representative business men of Scranton, where he is treasurer and manager of the Industrial Thrift & Loan Company. He was born in this city, Sept. 12, 1891.

Mr. Seamans secured his education in the public schools and is a graduate of Scranton High School and the Wharton School of Finance. He was associated with the business of Oscar Payne for two years as a salesman and later went with Kramer Brothers as a clerk. Mr. Seamans spent three years in the West and upon his return to Scranton became connected with the Union National Bank. Later, he went with the Dime Bank of Scranton and in 1920 came to the Industrial Thrift & Loan Company as treasurer and manager. This organization was founded in 1919 with a capital stock of \$100,000. It has since been increased to \$500,000 and has a surplus of \$130,000, and is the largest institution of its type in the State of Pennsylvania. The company does a business in loans which amounts to \$1,000,000 annually. Officers are: Mortimer Fuller, president; H. C. Wallace, vice president; James Sanderson, vice president; Ralph Ammerman, secretary; and Mr. Seamans, treasurer and manager.

Mr. Seamans was married in 1913 to Miss Sophia Samuels, of Scranton, and they have two sons: John M., Jr., and Robert.

Mr. Seamans is a Republican, a member of the Grace Reform Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic lodge, Lions Club, Y. M. C. A., and Chamber of Commerce. Both he and his wife have a wide acquaintance in the community and are highly esteemed.

John O'Connor is a highly esteemed pioneer citizen of Olyphant, where he has been a resident for 60 years, and where he has served as tax collector since 1900. He was born at Honesdale, Wayne County, Pa., Oct. 16, 1862, the son of Dennis and Elizabeth (Reynolds) O'Connor.

Both Dennis O'Connor and his wife were natives of Ireland. He spent several years in Connecticut before locating in Pennsylvania, and after his arrival in Lackawanna County he engaged in general farming. Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor are deceased. They were the parents of the following children: Joseph, deceased; John, the subject of this sketch; Mary and Ellen, both deceased; James lives at Olyphant; Dennis, lives at Olyphant; and Margaret, married W. J. Gaughan, lives at Jessup.

At an early age John O'Connor worked in the coal mines as a slate picker. He continued in this line of work until 1888, at which time he purchased a hotel in Olyphant, which he successfully conducted for 25 years. Mr. O'Connor, now retired from business, devotes his entire time to the duties of his office as tax collector.

In 1883 Mr. O'Connor was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Neary, of Jessup. She died in 1924 and is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Olyphant. Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor were the parents of nine children, as follows: Mary, married Thomas Judge, lives in New York City; Agnes, lives at home; Dennis, lives at Jessup; Joseph, lives at Jamaica, Pa.; John, lives at Olyphant; Catherine, married John Joseph Mullen, lives at Archbald; Cornelius, lives at Olyphant; Stella and William, both deceased.

Mr. O'Connor is a Democrat and a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

H. H. White is well known among the successful automobile men of Scranton, where he is secretary, treasurer and manager of the Bull Head Motor Company, Inc. This business was incorporated in 1922 with the following officers: M. A. Miller, president; W. J. Wilkins, vice president; and H. H. White, secretary, treasurer, and manager. The present officers are: W. J. Wilkins, president; I. A. Glaser, vice president; and Mr. White, secretary, treasurer, and manager. The business was incorporated with a capital of \$20,000. They are Scranton dealers for the Chevrolet automobile and have an attractive salesroom and service garage at 1302 North Main Avenue, which extends through to Providence Road, and which

covers a floor space of 12,000 square feet. This responsible firm renders high grade service and has an excellent rating among the dealers of Lackawanna County.

Mr. White was born at Clarks Summit, Pa., and spent his boyhood at that place. He attended Westchester State Normal School and spent ten years in the teaching profession. Before his present connection with the Bull Head Motor Company, Inc., he was associated in partnership with M. A. Miller.

Mr. White was married on June 23, 1914, to Miss Ruth Meyer, of Scranton, and they have four children: Wesley, born in 1915; Donald, born in 1917; Frederick, born in 1920; and Robert, born in 1925.

Politically, Mr. White is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. He also is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. The White residence is at 1311 Grandview Avenue, Dunmore.

A. W. Close.—Active and progressive in business, A. W. Close is prominent in Scranton, where he is secretary and treasurer of the Ralph E. Weeks Company, and the Capouse Warehouse Company. He was born at Auburn, N. Y., March 29, 1875, and is a son of Rev. J. Edward and Mary Ellen (Hooper) Close.

Rev. J. Edward Close was born in England, as was his wife. He lived in New York for a number of years and in 1889 removed to Dunmore, Pa., where he was pastor of the Presbyterian Church until his death in 1890. He was 41 years of age. His widow lives at Sewickley, Pa. There were five children in the Close family: Elsie, married Dr. Floyd Murdock, lives at Sewickley, Pa.; A. W., the subject of this sketch; Ernest G., lives at Dunmore; Gilbert F., mention of whom is made below; and Harold W., a graduate of Princeton University, now professor of chemistry in the American College, at Beirut, Syria.

Gilbert F. Close is a graduate of Princeton University. He was secretary to Woodrow Wilson, at that time president of the university, and later served as private secretary to Secretary Daniels, of the United States Navy. Following this Mr. Close was confidential secretary to President Wilson. He is now assistant to the president of the Commonwealth Steel Company, St. Louis, Mo.

Following the death of his father in 1890, A. W. Close left Scranton High School when 15 years of age and entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Coal Company. Ten years later he resigned as private secretary to George B. Smith, general manager, and spent the following ten years as secretary to Postmaster Ezra Ripple, of Scranton. Mr. Close has been associated with the Ralph E. Weeks Company since 1912, and the following year was made secretary and treasurer. They are wholesale dealers in



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plumbing supplies, and are located at 710 Capouse Avenue. Mr. Close is also treasurer of the Weeks Realty Company.

On Oct. 11, 1899, Mr. Close was married to Miss Edith Wert, of Dunmore, the daughter of Elhannon U. and Jane (McCullough) Wert, both deceased. Mrs. Wert was a sister of the famous actor, John McCullough. There are five children in the Close family: John E., who is connected with the Hudson Coal Company, Scranton; Willis C., who is connected with the Ralph E. Weeks Company, lives at Dunmore; Elizabeth, a graduate of Beaver College, now a teacher in the Clarks Summit High School; Jane McCullough, and Edith May, both at home. Mr. and Mrs. John E. Close have a son, Robert.

Mr. Close is a Republican, and is now serving as school director of Dalton, where he resides. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church of Dunmore, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Rotary Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Charles H. Gutheinz is well known among the substantial business men of Scranton, where he has spent his entire life. He is the son of Stephen and Barbara (Frichtel) Gutheinz.

Stephen Gutheinz was born at Obendorf, Germany, and when 18 years of age emigrated to the United States and settled at Hawley, Pa. He soon removed to Scranton and in 1878 founded the business in this city which is now conducted by his son. Mr. Gutheinz died in 1894 and is buried in the Pittston Avenue Cemetery, Scranton. His wife was born in this city and was the daughter of Yankee Frichtel, one of the first settlers of Scranton. Mrs. Gutheinz died in 1895. To Mr. and Mrs. Gutheinz eight children were born, two of whom survive: Charles H., the subject of this sketch; and Mrs. Carl O. Renner, who lives in Scranton.

Charles H. Gutheinz acquired his education in the public schools of Scranton and at an early age became identified with his father's meat business. From 1894 until 1909 the business continued under the firm name of Gutheinz, Weisser & Krayner. From 1909 until 1913 it was conducted by William F. Gutheinz and Charles H. Gutheinz, trading as Gutheinz Bros., now deceased, and since 1913 the business has been owned and operated by Charles H. Gutheinz. Mr. Gutheinz has one of the largest meat plants in Lackawanna County, and is widely known as an expert in his particular line. He carries on a wholesale and retail business and employs 30 men in his plant which is located at 518-520 Cedar Avenue.

On Nov. 5, 1920, Mr. Gutheinz was married in New York City to Miss Catherine C. Barrett, of Scranton. They have a daughter, Frieda, born Dec. 28, 1922.

Mr. Gutheinz is affiliated with the Republican party in politics. He is a member of the Hickory Street Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge in its various branches. He is also a member of the Scranton Liederkranz, Eagles Lodge, and Chamber of Commerce.

John J. Demuth is well known among the successful business men of Scranton, where he is interested in the insurance business. He was born in this city, Aug. 9, 1892, and is the son of John and Catherine (Reidenbach) Demuth.

John Demuth, deceased, was a prominent insurance man of this city for a number of years. He was born in Germany in 1849 and at an early age emigrated to the United States with his mother and settled in Scranton. He served as county commissioner for two terms. Mr. Demuth died in 1914. His widow, who was born at Tamaqua, Pa., died Jan. 14, 1928. To Mr. and Mrs. Demuth the following children were born: Mrs. J. J. Reif, lives in Scranton; Mrs. Frank P. Kloss, lives at Lackawanna, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary Ruane, lives in Scranton; Mrs. George J. Robling, lives in Scranton; Frank, lives in Scranton; John J., the subject of this sketch; Emma, deceased, was a Sister in the Order of Christian Charity.

After completing his schooling in the parochial schools of Scranton, John J. Demuth engaged in newspaper work and was employed on the Scranton Truth. When that paper was consolidated with the Tribune and the Republican, Mr. Demuth continued as correspondent. Since 1914 he has been interested in the insurance business with offices in the Scranton Life Building.

On Oct. 10, 1916, Mr. Demuth was united in marriage with Miss May Edwards, of Scranton. They have two children, George, born in 1919, and Jean, born in 1922.

Mr. Demuth is a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of St. George, St. Peter's Society and St. Mary's Band.

Peter W. Tague.—A distinguished figure in professional and financial advance in Northeastern Pennsylvania is Peter W. Tague, who for many years has maintained a prosperous and important business interest and for a considerable period has stood at the head of one of the leading banking institutions of the Scranton district. Mr. Tague has given to every step of his progress from his youth to his present outstanding position the tireless endeavor and fearless attitude of the natural business executive, and in his success his ability is definitely demonstrated. His interests have always been wide, reaching out into varied but always important realms of progress, and both in his individual capacity and as a progressive and forward-looking citizen he has won the esteem and confidence of every one with whom he has been associated. He is a son of Peter W. Tague, a native of England and a stone mason by trade, who died in 1861. The mother, Levina (Snyder) Tague, was born in Pennsylvania and died in 1904.

Peter W. Tague was born in Chinchilla, Pennsylvania, Dec. 15, 1861.

His education was limited to the public school course, and when scarcely more than a lad he became identified with the wholesale cattle trade. Active along that line, first as an employee, he became an operator on an independent basis before many years had passed, and having devoted constructive attention to the general field of conditions involved, he was largely successful. In 1885 he became identified with D. D. Jones, of Scranton, a leading undertaker of that time, with whom he continued until Aug. 26, 1890. On that date Mr. Tague formed an affiliation with B. J. Neville, and these progressive men entered upon the undertaking business as partners, under the firm name of Neville & Tague, funeral directors. Locating at No. 202 North Main Street, they continued active until the first day of April, 1895, since which time Mr. Tague himself has carried forward a similar interest as a furnishing undertaker. He has since been located at Nos. 111-13 South Main Street, and also maintains a large furniture and carpet store at the same address, carrying a very heavy and valuable stock of furniture, rugs, and house-furnishings. This store is the largest and most exclusive furniture and carpet store in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Its dimensions are 50 x 100 feet, has three floors and basement, and a floor space of 20,000 feet. Mr. Tague has his own garage, on Hyde Park Avenue, in which he stores his motor equipment, used for the store.

Mr. Tague is, and has been for many years, regarded as one of the foremost citizens of West Scranton, his interest in every branch of community progress being constructive and helpful. For ten years he has served as president of the Keystone Bank of West Scranton, and he is a director of the Industrial Development Company and the West Side Building and Loan Association. A Republican by political affiliation, he served for one year as constable of the Second Ward, but from choice he leaves political leadership to others.

Fraternally, Mr. Tague is affiliated with Hyde Park Lodge, No. 339, Free and Accepted Masons; Lackawanna Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Coeur de Lion Commandery, Knights Templar; Keystone Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Irem Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Celestial Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, also the Scranton Encampment, of which he is past grand; the Patriotic Order Sons of America, the Knights of Malta, and his clubs are the Irem Country and the Craftsman's. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian Church, of which he is a member of the board of trustees.

Peter W. Tague married, in 1892, Margaret A. Evans, of Scranton, daughter of James A. and Naomi (Jones) Evans, who died in 1923, leaving three children: (1) B. Willard, a graduate of Lafayette College, with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, who served in the United States Army. He received his training at Plattsburgh, N. Y., and was transferred to Chicago, where he served as second lieutenant in the Replacement Troop during the World War. He is a member of the American Legion; Hyde

Park Lodge, No. 339, Free and Accepted Masons; Keystone Consistory, thirty-second degree; Irem Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; and the Irem Country Club. (2) R. William, a graduate of Lafayette College, with the degree of Bachelor of Science; and (3) Margaret W., a graduate of Syracuse University, in Home Economics.

Philo W. Butler.—One of the representative and successful business men of Scranton is Philo W. Butler, who is president and treasurer of Gaylord & Butler Company. He was born at Binghamton, N. Y., June 22, 1881, and is the son of Charles and Cornelia (Wilcox) Butler.

Charles Butler, deceased, was a prominent citizen of Binghamton, N. Y., where he spent his entire life. He was a cigar manufacturer and for many years operated one of the largest factories in that section of New York. Mr. Butler was also prominent in politics and served as mayor of Binghamton. He died in 1902 and his wife died in October, 1925. They were members of the First Presbyterian Church, and Mr. Butler was a Democrat. To Mr. and Mrs. Butler seven children were born, as follows: Cornelia, married Fred Maine, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; Ella, married W. E. Dickerson, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; May, married Ira Lewis, lives at Mountclair, N. J.; Florence, married N. L. Sommers, lives in New York City; Philo W., the subject of this sketch; and two children died in infancy.

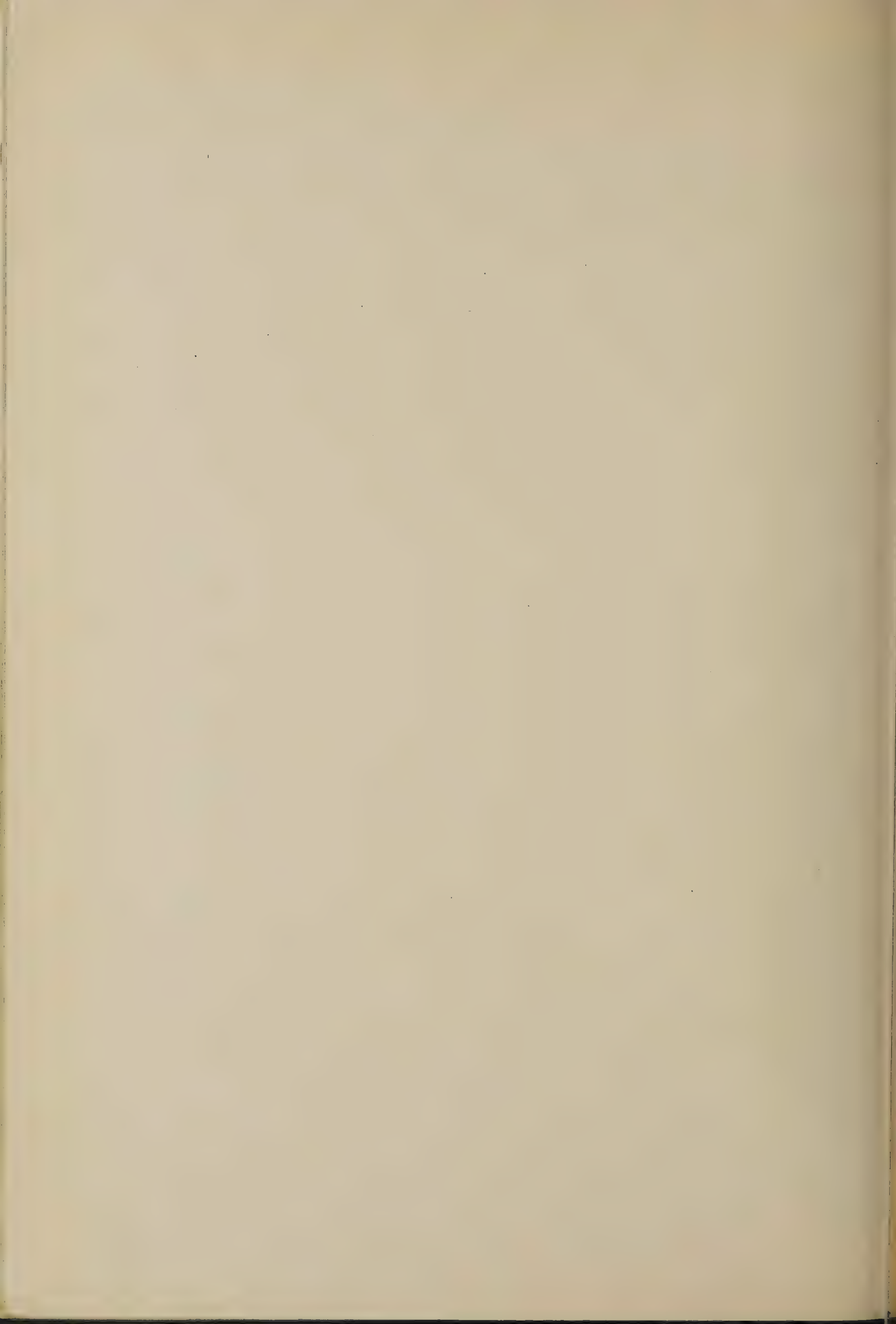
Philo W. Butler attended the public and high schools of Binghamton, N. Y., and at an early age was identified with the Binghamton Leader as a newspaper reporter. He later went with Gaylord & Eitapence Company as a salesman, and in 1903 came to Scranton as secretary and manager of the local office of James H. Gaylord at 505 Linden Street. Five years later Mr. Butler helped organize Gaylord & Butler Company and was made secretary and manager. In 1915 the company's modern factory was erected at Wyoming and Gibson Streets. Mr. Butler has served as president and treasurer of the company since 1927. They are leading heating and power plant contractors and distributors of boilers, pipe, valves, fittings, and high pressure pipes.

In 1910 Mr. Butler was united in marriage with Miss Myra Sommers, the daughter of Corning Sommers, deceased. Mr. Sommers was a leading lumber dealer of Corning, N. Y. To Mr. and Mrs. Butler two children have been born: Janet Sommers, born in 1912; and Philo W., born in 1915.

Mr. Butler is identified with the Pennsylvania Society of New York, the Machinery Club of New York, Scranton Country Club, and Scranton Club. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, being a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Irem Shrine. Formerly Mr. Butler was identified with the following institutions as a director: Spencer Heater Company, Scranton Electric Steel Company, Maccar Truck Company, and



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Third National Bank. He gave up his connections with these firms and is now devoting his entire time to the interests of the Gaylord & Butler Company. In 1928 Mr. Butler was appointed by Mayor Jermyn a member of the Planning Commission and Zone Appeal Board of the City of Scranton.

Eurie L. Merriman is among the representative and highly successful business men of Scranton, where he is connected with the Paragon Plaster & Supply Company as president and general manager. He was born in North Carolina, Oct. 12, 1863, and is the son of Leonard A. and Nancy (James) Merriman.

Leonard A. Merriman, deceased, was one of the leading plantation owners of North Carolina for many years. He was born in Connecticut and in early life located in North Carolina, where he became extensively interested in the mercantile business. He owned several large plantations and was also a leading operator of cotton and turpentine mills. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in North Carolina. They had four sons, all deceased except Eurie L., the subject of this sketch.

Eurie L. Merriman was only 10 years old when his parents died and he then went to Southington, Conn., where he made his home with relatives. He attended Lewis Academy, from which he was graduated in 1879, and he then began his business career with J. B. Savage, as a shipping clerk. After four years in his employ Mr. Merriman became interested in the brick manufacturing business at Savannah, Ga., but owing to insufficient capital he was forced to give up his business plans. He then accepted a position with the Savannah Lighterage Company, as superintendent, in charge of loading naval stores on domestic and foreign vessels. His health failed and he returned to Connecticut to his former position with J. B. Savage. In 1897 the company moved to Scranton and was thereafter known as the Scranton Forging Company. Mr. Merriman served in various capacities in the company's employ and in 1892, when the Paragon Plaster & Supply Company was organized, he became manager of the concern. The company now owns and operates plants at Lime Ridge and Bloomsburg, Pa.

Mr. Merriman is vice president and secretary of the Oakfield Gypsum Products Corporation, of Oakfield, N. Y.; director of the Scranton Savings & Dime Bank; first vice president of the Builders Material Dealers Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania; past vice president of the Chamber of Commerce.

In October, 1894, Mr. Merriman was married to Miss Sallie Wambold, and they have a son, Richard. He married Miss Catherine Coleman and they have a son, Richard, Jr.

Mr. Merriman is president of the Board of Trustees of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Irem

Country Club, Scranton Club, Rotary Club, Green Ridge Club, and Country Club of Scranton. Mr. Merriman has a wide acquaintance and has always been regarded both socially and in his business relations as a valuable citizen of Scranton.

Stanley Edward Dolph was born at Scranton, Feb. 6, 1886, the son of Edward S. Dolph and Sarah Norris Dolph. He received his early education at private schools in the city of Scranton, going from the School of the Lackawanna to the Hill School at Pottstown, Pa., for his college preparatory course. He was graduated from Princeton University in 1908 with the degree of Civil Engineer. After graduation he entered the employ of the Scranton Pump Company and has remained with that company throughout his entire business career with the exception of some time spent in the military service. For the last 15 years he has been president of the company, which is rated as one of the leading industrial organizations of the city. Its pumping machinery marketed under the trade name "Scranton" is widely distributed, not only throughout the United States but through foreign countries as well, and enjoys an unsurpassed reputation for its excellent quality.

On Jan. 10, 1915, Mr. Dolph enlisted as a private soldier in the Thirteenth Regiment of Infantry, National Guard of Pennsylvania. He was later promoted to regimental quartermaster sergeant, and in 1915 was commissioned as second lieutenant. He was promoted to first lieutenant the following year. On Aug. 14, 1916, the regiment left Scranton for mobilization camp at Mt. Gretna, Pa., in preparation for service on the Mexican border. With his regiment he was stationed on duty at El Paso, Tex., from early in October, 1916, until March 21, 1917. The regiment was then returned to Pennsylvania and placed on guard duty on the railroads, war against Germany having been declared on April 6th. Later the regiment went for training at Augusta, Ga., and there Lieutenant Dolph was transferred to the One Hundred and Third Engineers, a unit of the same division, the 28th. He was promoted to captain on Jan. 5, 1918, and with that rank served with his regiment throughout the remainder of the war in France. The One Hundred and Third Engineers returned from France in May, 1919, and he was then mustered out of service. When the Pennsylvania National Guard was reorganized after the war he was commissioned a major of infantry and has held that rank since Nov. 1, 1919, being for the entire period in command of the First Battalion of the One Hundred and Ninth Infantry, with headquarters at Scranton.

On Sept. 26, 1910, Mr. Dolph was married to Miss Mary George Hallstead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Hallstead, of Scranton. Mrs. Dolph was a victim of the epidemic of influenza which swept the country in the autumn of 1918 and passed away while her husband was at the front in France.

Major Dolph is a member of the Engineers' Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania; the Princeton Engineering Society; the Society of American Military Engineers; and an associate of the Institute of Radio Engineers. He belongs to the Scranton Club; the Country Club of Scranton; the Westmoreland Club of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; the Princeton Club of New York; the Colonial Club of Princeton University; and the Nassau Club, Princeton, N. J. He is also a member of the Masonic bodies.

Alfred Gutheinz, a Scranton banker, has, by his ability, courtesy, and tact, been an important factor in the growth and prosperity of one of the most prosperous financial institutions of that city, and at the same time has exercised an influence and leadership in behalf of many constructive and progressive civic movements.

Mr. Gutheinz was born in New York City, March 29, 1875, son of **Albert and Maria Gutheinz**. His father, a native of Stuttgart, Germany, who died in 1899, was a hotel proprietor. Alfred Gutheinz acquired his early education in public schools and business colleges, and as a youth took up bookkeeping. For five years he was bookkeeper for the Scranton Supply and Machinery Company, but since then his time has been devoted to banking, at first with the Scranton Savings Bank, in which he rose from bookkeeper to paying teller. In 1910 he entered the South Side Savings Bank, and has been for 15 years the cashier of that institution. This bank was established Aug. 13, 1902, by a group of business men on the South Side. The first president was Conrad Schroeder, who was succeeded by Frank Hummler, and since 1913 F. J. Helriegel has been president. The original capital of \$60,000 has been increased to \$200,000, and the total resources stand at more than \$3,500,000. Mr. Gutheinz, through this bank and otherwise, has aided in the development of the South Side section of the city. He is well known in musical circles at Scranton. For the past two years he has been president of the Hickory Street Church Choral Union and served as chairman of the committee that brought Prof. Charles M. Courboin, the noted organist, to Scranton. He was appointed by Mayor Durkan a member of the Sinking Fund Commission, and was treasurer of the Democratic County Committee, also treasurer of the Scranton Public Library, and has given various measures of public service.

Mr. Gutheinz is affiliated with Schiller Lodge, No. 345, Free and Accepted Masons; the Keystone Lodge of Perfection; and Irem Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Wilkes-Barre; also is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America; the South Side Improvement Association, the Maennerchor, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, the Chamber of Commerce, Junior Order United American Mechanics, and the Hickory Street Presbyterian Church.

In 1905 Lydia F. Sailer of Scranton became Mr. Gutheinz's wife. They have two children: Stephen A., born in 1907; and Carl, born in 1911.

A. S. Hiznay.—Prominent among the representative young business men of Dickson City is A. S. Hiznay, who is cashier of the Liberty National Bank. He was born at Jessup, Pa., Nov. 25, 1898, and is the son of Joseph T. and Veronica (Kozak) Hiznay.

Joseph P. Hiznay, retired, is a native of Czecho-Slovakia. About 1890 he emigrated to this country and settled at Jessup, where he was well known among the pioneers of that section. For many years he owned and operated a hotel in Jessup, where he still resides. To Mr. and Mrs. Hiznay the following children were born: Michael and Joseph, live at Jessup; A. S., the subject of this sketch; John, lives at Jessup; Mary, lives at Jessup; Veronica, known in religious life as Sister Perpetua, Sacred Heart Villa, Danville, Pa.; Irene, student at Teachers College, Stroudsburg, Pa.; Thomas, Stephen, and George, all at home.

A. S. Hiznay attended the public schools of Jessup and in 1918 was graduated from Lackawanna Business College, Scranton. He later completed a course in finance study through the correspondence school of Columbia University, and at present is pursuing a course in accounting through the extension school of LaSalle University. Mr. Hiznay began his banking career as bookkeeper with the First National Bank, of Olyphant, and in 1919 went with the Dickson City National Bank as teller. In 1923, when the Liberty National Bank was organized, he was made cashier of that institution.

On June 18, 1924, Mr. Hiznay was united in marriage with Miss Helen Matircho, of Forest City, Pa. They have a daughter, Anna May, born in 1925.

Mr. Hiznay is a Democrat and is active in church work, being a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Jessup. He is also a member of the Knights of Columbus and National Slavak Society.

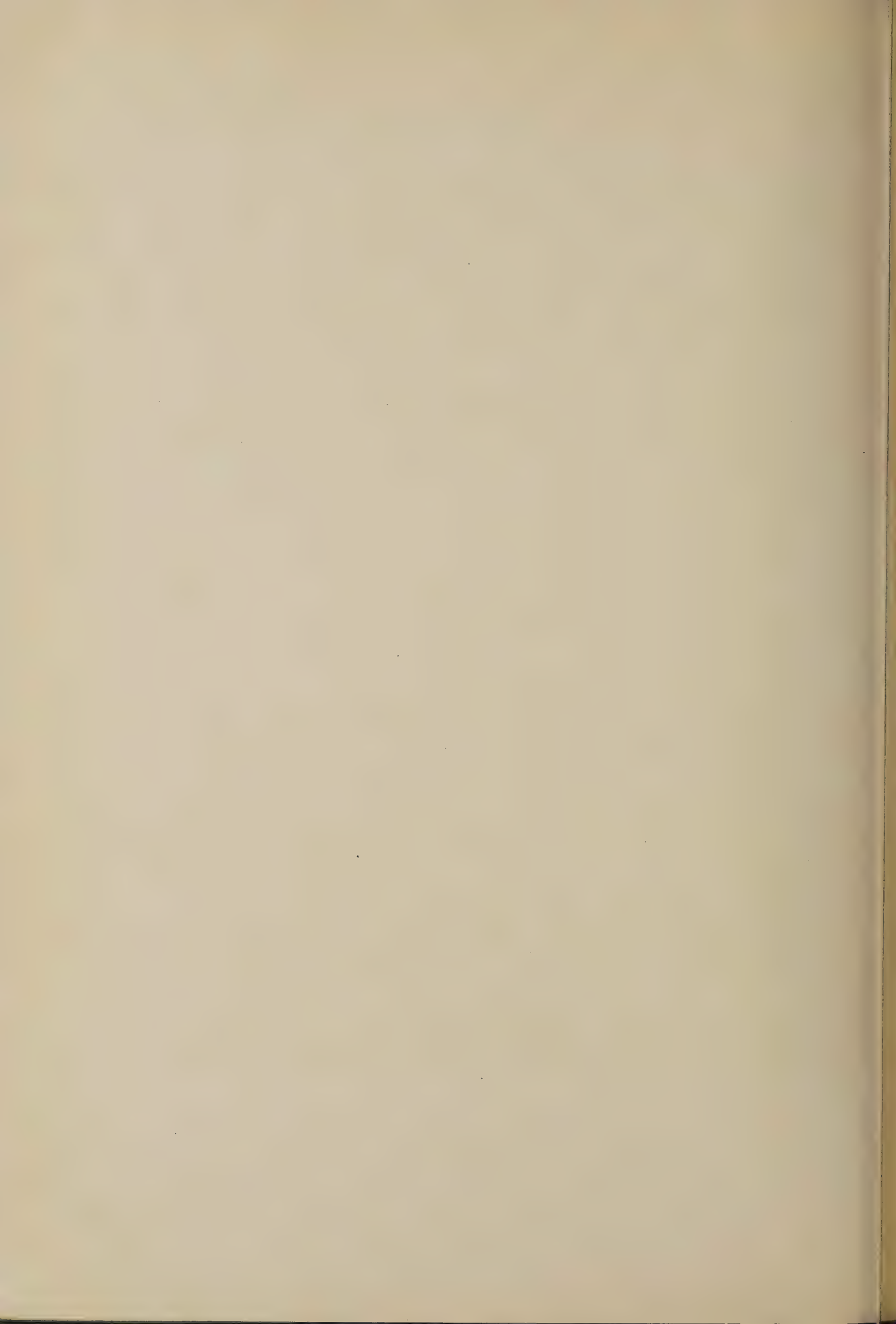
The Liberty National Bank of Dickson City was organized in November, 1923, with the following officers: James P. Wilson, president; Jacob Ollendike, first vice-president; Louis Berger, second vice-president; and A. S. Hiznay, cashier. The directors are: Louis Berger, Alex Bobrowski, Thomas H. Davies, A. S. Hiznay, Walter Hetkowski, Joseph Kadjesky, George W. Morgan, William A. Meehan, Paul J. Motts, Max L. Moskovitz, John Fritch, Michael Pituch, Anthony F. Roshak, and James P. Wilson. The bank has a capital stock of \$100,000, and surplus of \$25,000.

J. Julius Levy.—Among the most capable of the younger attorneys of Scranton is J. Julius Levy, who is also serving as assistant district attorney. He is a native of this city and the son of Barnet and Rica (Galen) Levy.

Both Barnet Levy and his wife were born in Russia. He was born in 1864, and was 20 years old when he came to the United States and settled in New York. His wife was about 19 years of age when her family emigrated to this country. After their marriage in New York



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City, Mr. and Mrs. Levy removed to Scranton, where he spent the remainder of his life as a well known merchant. He died in 1913 and his widow still resides in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Levy 10 children were born, as follows: David, lives at Scranton; Louis J., lives at Scranton; Bertha, married Rabbi Judah Demasak, lives in New York City; J. Julius, the subject of this sketch; Henry, volunteered for service during the World War and served with the U. S. Navy, was injured in a shipwreck at Cape May, and died in 1917; Nat E., lives at Scranton; Dr. Anna, a physician, lives at Scranton; Dr. Saul, a physician, lives at Scranton; Janet, married Harry Kottler, lives in New York City; and Benno C., attends Columbia University, New York City.

J. Julius Levy spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his early education in the public schools. He was graduated from the College of Law, University of Pennsylvania, in 1913, and during that year was admitted to the Lackawanna County bar. He then became associated in practice with Attorneys Morgan S. Kaufman and Philip V. Mattes in 1924. In 1926 Mr. Levy was appointed assistant district attorney. He is identified with the Lackawanna County Bar Association, the Pennsylvania State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, United States Supreme Court, Federal Court, Circuit Court of Appeals, and Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

In 1915 Mr. Levy was united in marriage with Miss Sophia Strauss, the daughter of Isadore and Henrietta Strauss, both deceased. Mr. Strauss was a prominent merchant in New York City for many years. To Mr. and Mrs. Levy have been born two sons: Barnett M., born Jan. 13, 1917; and Henry Isadore, born Aug. 4, 1920.

Mr. Levy is a Republican, and belongs to the Elks Lodge and Young Men's Hebrew Association. He has an extensive acquaintance throughout Lackawanna County and stands high in the community.

Harry E. Detwiler.—Before he became a successful business man, Harry E. Detwiler had been a workman at all branches of the steel industry, an engineering draftsman, a superintendent of construction, a civil engineer, and had been successful in all. Turning professional acumen to business, he aided in the founding of Scranton's only bridge company and has been serving as its secretary and treasurer and chief engineer ever since. He is prominent in club circles in the big coal city.

Harry E. Detwiler was born in Montgomery County, Pa., April 3, 1874. He was the son of Isaac P. Detwiler, a native of Chester County, Pa., who devoted his life to the steel industry, passing away in 1908, and Maria (Espenship) Detwiler, also a native of Chester County, who died in 1912. The Detwilers and Espenships were old settlers of Pennsylvania and were Americans of many generations.

Until he was 22 years old, Henry E. Detwiler followed various trades and held various positions in and about the steel and coal district. In 1896 he went to Baltimore, Md., where for 12 years he was with the Struc-

tural Steel Company, rising to shop superintendent. Spurred by an indomitable will, having a craving for knowledge and being ambitious, he studied drafting and civil engineering and soon became engineer for the Seaboard Air Line Railroad. Later he accepted a position with the York Bridge Company, of York, Pa., being assigned to the steel building division, remaining in this capacity until 1912, when, after much planning, he and Boyd E. Musser, also a native Pennsylvanian, founded the Anthracite Bridge Company of Scranton. He has been its treasurer and secretary ever since.

Prominent in club affairs, he is a member of the various Masonic bodies, both York and Scottish Rites, and is a member of the Irem Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. A member of the Scranton Lions Club, he has been its president and has served as district governor of the State of Pennsylvania in the Lions International. He is a Presbyterian, and in politics a Republican. Mr. Detwiler is interested in the conservation of our native wild flowers and has done much work towards protecting them.

David G. Davis is among the enterprising and successful business men of Scranton, where he is treasurer and general manager of the Davis, Loftus, Williams Company, wholesale grocers. He was born in Wales, Dec. 27, 1873, and is the son of David W. and Given Davis.

Both David W. Davis and his wife were natives of Wales. About 1883 they came to this country and settled at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where he was a rock contractor in the mines for many years. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried at Wilkes-Barre. He was a Republican and held membership in the Baptist Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis were born seven children, three of whom are living, as follows: Evan R., lives at Wilkes-Barre; David G., the subject of this sketch; and Elizabeth, married Lemuel Davis, lives at Wilkes-Barre.

David G. Davis received his education in the public schools of Wilkes-Barre and at an early age went to work in the coal mines of that district as a breaker boy. In 1887 he began his business career with T. B. Harris, a grocer, and remained in his employ until 1891, at which time he was made manager of the E. Richards Grocery Company, which is still in existence in Wilkes-Barre. In 1896 Mr. Davis went as a salesman with the Hooven Mercantile Company of New York, in charge of the Wilkes-Barre territory. He was transferred to Scranton in 1904 in charge of a branch store of the same concern and he held this position until 1919, when he formed a partnership with Thomas P. Loftus, D. Phillip Williams, Charles LeBar and Fred Gleason. The business was known as Davis, Loftus, Williams Company, Inc., and grew from that date to one of the largest wholesale grocery firms in the city. In 1925 Messrs. Davis and Loftus purchased the old Porter Building, which was destroyed by fire during that year. Mr. Davis also was one of the founders of the Davis-Gleason Company.

In 1896 Mr. Davis was united in marriage with Miss Lenna A. Smith, the daughter of Benjamin and Sadie Smith, of Wilkes Barre, Pa. Mr. Smith, deceased, was an engineer on the Lehigh Railroad for many years. His widow lives at Wilkes-Barre. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis three children were born: Ethel, married William Ollendyke, lives at Scranton, and they have a daughter, Elenore; Irene, married Lester Marshall, lives at Scranton; and Jessie H., a student.

Mr. Davis is identified with the Scranton Association of Credit Men and resigned as treasurer of that organization in 1927. He also belongs to the Wholesale & Retail Credit Union of Scranton and is vice president and a director of the Pine Brook Bank. Mr. Davis is a Republican, and a member of the Green Ridge Baptist Church, of which he is Sunday school superintendent and trustee. He and his family are highly esteemed in the community and have many friends.

Leander H. Conklin, president of the Maccar Truck Company, is deservedly prominent among the representative citizens of Scranton. He was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 7, 1872, and is the son of William and Eliza (Doud) Conklin.

William Conklin was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 30, 1834, and died in 1924. His wife, a native of Madison, Conn., died in 1911. Both are buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn, N. Y. He was a life long Democrat, a member of the Congregational Church. Mr. and Mrs. Conklin had five children. The two now living are Evelina, married Dr. George E. Hale, lives at Pasadena, Cal., and Leander H., the subject of this sketch.

Leander H. Conklin spent his boyhood in Brooklyn, N. Y., and in 1891 was graduated from Pratt Institute. Three years later he became interested in the electrical business with the Excelsior Electric Company of Brooklyn, and became assistant to the superintendent, William Hochhausen. In 1896 he became superintendent of the electric utilities in the suburbs of Brooklyn, and four years later engaged in the electric construction business as a member of the firm of Weideman & Conklin. In 1904 Mr. Conklin disposed of his interest and spent the following three years as an electrical engineer with A. M. Young. He later became general superintendent of the West Penn Electric Company and West Penn Railway Company of Pittsburgh, Pa., and in 1909 removed to Scranton, where he spent one year as manager of the Scranton Electric Company. He then returned to New York, where he was identified with the interests of J. G. White & Company until 1912, when he returned to Scranton and organized the United Service Company, of which he served as vice-president and general manager until 1924. Mr. Conklin has been president of the Maccar Truck Company since that year.

In October, 1902, Mr. Conklin was married to Miss Blanche Sterling, the daughter of Capt. John and Elizabeth (Tibbett) Sterling, natives of Portland, Me. Captain Sterling, deceased, was a well known sea captain

of New England. To Mr. and Mrs. Conklin have been born three children: Philip H. was graduated from Princeton University in 1927; Gertrude D. attends Ethel Walker's School, Simsbury, Conn.; and William R. attends Lake Mohawk School, New York.

Mr. Conklin is a member and trustee of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, being a life member of the Anglo Saxon Lodge, No. 137, A. F. and A. M., Brooklyn, N. Y. He belongs to the Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Waverly Country Club, Madison (Conn.) Country Club, Railroad Club of New York, Princeton Club of New York, Rotary Club, Y. M. C. A., and Chamber of Commerce. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and has served as president of the Pennsylvania Electric Association. He is a director of the Scranton-Lackawanna Trust Company, and a director of the Family Welfare Bureau and Y. M. C. A. of Scranton. He is a Republican.

William Chappell, deceased, was among the prominent pioneer business men and highly esteemed citizens of Scranton. He was born at Glamorganshire, South Wales, Nov. 6, 1859, the son of Joseph and Ann (Morgan) Chappell.

Both Joseph Chappell and his wife spent their entire lives in Wales and are now deceased. They were the parents of 11 children, of whom William, the subject of this sketch, was the fifth in order of birth, and also the fifth son.

William Chappell spent his boyhood in his native land and received his education there. When 21 years of age he came to the United States and settled in Scranton. In May, 1884, he formed a partnership with Fenner Brothers, pioneer merchants of this city, and later purchased the entire business from the brothers in 1898. He continued the business under the name of the Chappell Ready Pay Store, and met with marked success in his venture. The first store building was destroyed by fire in 1903, the fire originating in the triple stores of the late Ambrose Mulley. Following the disastrous fire Mr. Chappell erected a modern store building in Providence Square, where he continued in business until the time of his death, which occurred on April 6, 1927.

On Sept. 21, 1886, Mr. Chappell married Miss Margaret Evans, who survives him. She was born in Wales, and left there when an infant with her parents, David R. and Jane (Davies) Evans, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Chappell continues the business which was so ably established by her husband. The family residence is at 1719 North Main Avenue. To Mr. and Mrs. Chappell three children were born: Margaret, married Carl McDonnell, manager of the company's North Scranton store; Louise, the widow of Rev. George Wern Richards, lives with her mother in Scranton; and Elizabeth, deceased.

Mr. Chappell was a member of the North Main Avenue Baptist Church, of which he served as trustee for 38 years, and he was also active



WILLIAM CHAPPELL



in Sunday school work, having been superintendent of Sunday school work for a period of 30 years. He was affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and its various branches and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Chappell was a lifelong Republican and had an extensive acquaintance in the community where he spent so many years.

Chester A. Thomas is a representative and widely known business man of Scranton, where he is identified with the real estate and insurance firm of Thomas Brothers. He was born in Scranton, Dec. 23, 1887, and is the son of John R. and Sarah (Harris) Thomas.

John R. Thomas, deceased, was a leading citizen and prominent business man of Scranton for many years. He was born at Hyde Park, Scranton, Feb. 8, 1865, the son of William R. and Elizabeth (Roberts) Thomas. William R. Thomas was born in South Wales and in 1861 came to the United States. He located at Scranton, where he spent the remainder of his life as a miner. He died Jan. 23, 1923, and his wife, a native of England, died in 1890. Both are buried in Scranton. John R. Thomas was eight years old when he went to work in the mines as a breaker boy. In 1890 he was appointed a letter carrier in Scranton by Postmaster D. M. Jones, and served in that capacity until July 1, 1900, at which time he purchased the controlling interest in the Evans & Thomas insurance agency. He served as a member of the firm until his death, Jan. 30, 1923. His wife, a native of Scranton, died in 1895, leaving a son, Chester A., the subject of this sketch. Mr. Thomas was married the second time in December, 1898, to Miss Della P. Evans, who resides in Scranton. To this union a son, Everett Thomas, was born, April 4, 1901. John R. Thomas was a Republican and served as president of the select council under Mayor Dimmick's administration, and was on the committee of three men that selected the official flag of Scranton. He held membership in the Plymouth Congregational Church, Masonic Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Malta, Loyal Knights of America, and Scranton Club. He was a director of the Lincoln Trust Company, and vice president and director of the Ralph E. Weeks Corporation.

Everett Thomas was educated in the public and high schools of Scranton and is a graduate of Phillips-Exeter Academy, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 1924 he became a member of the firm of Thomas & Sons Real Estate and Insurance Company, and on Oct. 21, 1925, became a junior member of the firm of Thomas Brothers. He was married to Miss Katherine L. Davies, the daughter of John J. and Kate (Lewis) Davies. Mr. Davies is a leading druggist of Scranton. Mr. Thomas is a member of the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Knights of Pythias, Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, and West Scranton Business and Professional Men's Association.

Chester A. Thomas received his education in the public schools of Scranton, and in April, 1903, became associated with his father's business.

In 1910 he was made junior member of the firm, and in 1925, when the firm name was changed to Thomas Brothers, Mr. Thomas became senior member of the firm. It is one of the oldest insurance and real estate agencies in the city, being founded April 25, 1882, by Daniel J. Evans, who was an outstanding figure in the business life of Scranton for many years. He was prominent in the Welsh settlement of Scranton and was founder of the Welsh Philosophical Society, and editor of the *Banner America*, one of the first Welsh newspapers to be printed in this country. Mr. Evans died in December, 1916, at the age of 94 years, and is buried in Scranton.

On Sept. 10, 1913, Chester A. Thomas was married to Miss Mary V. Evans, the daughter of D. D. and Margaret Evans, both deceased. Mr. Evans was a native of South Wales, and a prosperous merchant of Carbondale, Pa., for many years. To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas two children have been born: Helen and John R., II.

Mr. Thomas is a Republican, a member of the Plymouth Congregational Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, League of Masonic Clubs, Knights of Pythias, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Lions Club, Y. M. C. A., Abington Hills Country Club, Scranton Club, and Scranton Real Estate Board. He is vice-president and director of the Ralph E. Weeks Corporation and treasurer of the Fidelity Finance Corporation of Scranton.

Frederick Victor Hartzell is a leading business man of Scranton, where he is interested in the real estate and insurance business, with offices at 102 West Market Street. He was born in this city, Feb. 21, 1874, and is the son of Edward and Louisa (Maire) Hartzell.

Edward Hartzell, deceased, was a native of Northampton County, Pa., born in 1850. He was a machinist by trade and spent 35 years in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company, being one of the company's most dependable and trusted employes. He died June 8, 1910. His wife, who was of French descent, is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Hartzell were the parents of four children: Frederick Victor, the subject of this sketch; Daniel Edward; Leona, married A. Ridgeway; and Louisa, twin sister of Leona, married William Clegg.

Hendrick Hartzell emigrated to the United States from Switzerland about 1732 and settled near Philadelphia. His son, Jonas, was born in 1774, and from him the descent to Frederick Victor Hartzell is through Solomon, Reuben, and Edward. The spelling of the name was originally Hertzell, Solomon Hartzell being the first member of the family to use the new form.

After completing his schooling in the public schools of Scranton, Frederick Victor Hartzell attended Wood's Business College, and began his business career as manager of the grocery and meat business of George W. Hornbacker. In 1894 he purchased Mr. Hornbacker's interest and continued the business until 1899, with Emmett Simons as a partner. In

1900 Mr. Hartzell accepted the district deputyship of the Modern Woodmen of America, with headquarters at Rock Island, Ill., and two years later took charge of the Auditorium in Providence. He later purchased the Auditorium and operated it as a community house until 1917, when he sold it to the Lehigh Valley Silk Mills. In that year Mr. Hartzell became manager of the Blair Silk Company, and two years later disposed of his interest in this business. He has been interested in the real estate and general insurance business for a number of years, and is well established. He has been identified with the North Scranton Bank as a director since 1904.

On Nov. 5, 1898, Mr. Hartzell was married to Miss Alice Guest, a daughter of William and Mary (Meredith) Guest, natives of England, and both now deceased. Mr. Guest was an engineer on the Delaware & Lackawanna Western Railroad for many years. To Mr. and Mrs. Hartzell have been born four children: Helen, lives at home; Edward G., attends the University of Pennsylvania; Ruth, attends Lowthrope School; and William F., at home.

Mr. Hartzell is a member of the Providence Methodist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Y. M. C. A., Chamber of Commerce, Scranton Insurance Association, National Insurance Association, and the Modern Woodman of America. He is a director of the Zoological Society of Scranton, president of the Metropolitan Bowling League, a director of the North Scranton Community Association, and for 35 years has been president of the Septem Frates Club. He is a Republican in politics, and belongs to the North Scranton Republican Club.

John B. Rader, councilman, is a substantial and highly respected citizen of Scranton, where he is also engaged in the general insurance business. He was born at Mauch Chunk, Luzerne County, Pa., Dec. 14, 1870, the son of Philip and Ellen (McFadden) Rader.

Philip Rader, deceased, was a native of Germany. He was born in Bavaria in 1844, and at an early age came to this country with his parents and settled at Mauch Chunk, Pa. For many years he conducted a leading furniture and undertaking business at that place, and in 1891, sold his interest and removed to Scranton, where he conducted a hotel at 522 Lackawanna Avenue until his death, May 29, 1901. Mr. Rader married Miss Ellen McFadden, the daughter of Patrick and Ellen McFadden, natives of Ireland. Mr. Rader and his family were members of the Catholic Church. There were 11 children, as follows: James; William, died in 1900; Mary, Kate I, Philip, and Kate 2nd, all deceased; Edward; John B., the subject of this sketch; Anna, married John Rink; Joseph; and Philip, 2nd.

John B. Rader was reared and educated at Mauch Chunk. He followed his trade as a carpenter until 1900, at which time he assumed the management of his father's hotel in Scranton. In April, 1912, Mr. Rader sold

the hotel and removed to 406 Spruce Street, where he purchased the building and business of the Arrow Cafe and Hotel. He successfully conducted this business for a number of years, and in 1919, became interested in the general insurance business, with offices at 331 Cedar Avenue.

Mr. Rader married Miss Anna Gschwender, the daughter of Frank Gschwender. They have three sons: Father Philip, assistant priest of St. Mary's of the Mount at Pocono, Pa.; Frank, and John. Frank is a bookkeeper at the South Side Bank, and John, Jr., is associated in business with his father.

In politics Mr. Rader is identified with the Democratic party, and he has held the office of chairman for several years. He was elected to the city council of Scranton in November, 1925, and took office in January, 1926. He is the only Democrat that has served as a member of this body for many years.

Mr. Rader is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Knights of St. George, St. Peter's Society of St. Marys, Liederkranz Society, Eagles Lodge and Elks Lodge.

The Fidelity Deposit and Discount Bank, of Dunmore, has been a big factor in the development and growth of the borough since its inception. It opened for business May 11, 1903, with a capital stock of \$60,000. Deposits the first day amounted to \$16,064.24. The following named persons were the bank's first officers: P. J. Horan, president; F. E. Swartz, vice-president; Dan Powell, secretary; John F. Walter, cashier; and J. T. Fear, teller. The directors were: P. J. Horan, R. C. Wills, Dr. A. H. Burnstein, John Carney, P. D. Manley, Henry Beyea, Dan Powell, F. E. Swartz, Dr. Frank W. Winters, and John E. Swift.

On Oct. 1, 1922, the bank increased its capital from \$60,000 to \$150,000. This was done by issuing 100 per cent stock dividend to shareholders and the sale of \$30,000 worth of stock to its depositors. On Sept. 30, 1922, previous to increasing the capital stock, the bank's standing was as follows: Capital, \$60,000; surplus and profits, \$224,427.77; deposits, \$1,901,852.53; total resources, \$2,186,280.30. Following is a summary of the bank's present standing, March 12, 1928: Capital, \$150,000; surplus, \$350,000; undivided profits, \$77,291.10; deposits, over \$2,900,000; total resources, over \$3,500,000. The bank's initial dividend of 6 per cent was paid Oct. 1, 1907. The dividend rate has been increased from time to time, the present rate being 16 per cent, with 2 per cent extra. On May 11, 1924, the bank's twenty-first birthday, a special dividend of 10 per cent was paid the stockholders.

In January, 1907, J. T. Fear was elected cashier, succeeding John F. Walter. In January, 1925, Mr. Fear was elected vice-president of the bank, and John W. Fleth was elected cashier. C. B. Watrous and William A. Quinn were elected assistant cashiers. P. J. Horan, president of the bank, died July 4, 1918. F. E. Swartz, vice-president, was elected to the presi-



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dency, and P. D. Manley was elected vice-president. Mr. Manley died March 1, 1925.

The bank was compelled to provide additional room for its expanding business and in 1913 an addition was added to the banking house, which was thought adequate for all time to come, but each succeeding year showed increased deposits and patronage so that again the banking house became too small to handle the volume of business. In 1925 and 1926 the banking house was remodeled and new additions built, with a modern banking equipment installed.

The present bank officers are: F. E. Swartz, president; J. T. Fear, vice president; John W. Fleth, cashier; C. B. Watrous, assistant cashier; William E. Quinn, assistant cashier, and C. P. Savage, secretary. The directors are: F. E. Swartz, E. L. Samson, James G. Horan, J. T. Fear, Charles P. Savage, A. M. Bingham, H. M. Houck, William Schultz, Joseph Wimmer, and William F. Boyle.

This institution has gone its limit in service, helpfulness and friendliness. These ideals have been strong factors in the steady increase and prosperity of the bank. The citizens of Dunmore Borough and its community feel proud of this strong, helpful, financial institution.

Dr. David John Jenkins, who is serving as county coroner of Lackawanna County, is one of the most prominent physicians and surgeons of Scranton. He was born in Monmouthshire, England, March 9, 1871, and is the son of John L. and Ann (Williams) Jenkins.

John L. Jenkins, deceased, was a native of Wales. He was born in 1840 and his wife was born in 1843. Mr. Jenkins was a chemist and pharmacist and lived in England for a number of years. In 1879 he came to this country and settled in Philadelphia, and later removed to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where he became manager of the Thomas Drug Company. In 1882 Mr. Jenkins located in Scranton and served as manager of the B. G. Morgan Drug Company until 1896, at which time he established a drug business of his own at 1528 Jackson Street. He continued in business until the time of his death, which occurred Dec. 27, 1916. His wife died in June, 1924, and both are buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. Jenkins was a Republican and a member of the Welsh Baptist Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins were born four children: Jane Elizabeth, lives at Troy, N. Y.; Margaret, died in 1918; Dr. Thomas William, a physician and surgeon, lives at Albany, N. Y., is a World War veteran, having served in the United States with the Medical Corps, establishing laboratories in base hospitals in the cantonments; and David John, the subject of this sketch.

David John Jenkins was educated in the public schools of England and in 1880, when his family came to this country, he attended the schools of Wilkes-Barre and Scranton. He spent his boyhood in the coal mines of this section and in 1886 left this work and entered B. G. Morgan and

Company drug store as a clerk, and then clerked in T. H. Jones drug store. In 1894 he went to Albany, N. Y., where he clerked in the wholesale drug store of Walker & Gibson. He subsequently passed the State Board of Regents of New York and then entered Union University at Albany, N. Y. In 1898 he received his degree as Doctor of Medicine from the medical department of this university. Dr. Jenkins then returned to Scranton and established offices on Jackson Street, where he remained until 1917, when he moved to 234 South Main Avenue. During the World War he served with the rank of captain and was stationed at Camp Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and at Camp Meade, Md. He was elected county coroner in 1919 and re-elected in 1923, which office he held until 1927, when he was elected again to serve as coroner of Lackawanna County for a term of four years more. Doctor Jenkins has a wide acquaintance in the community and is recognized as one of the capable men of his profession. He now maintains offices at 234 South Main Street.

In 1902 Doctor Jenkins married Miss Anna T. Probert, who died May 19, 1922. She was the daughter of Edmund and Mary (Gwynn) Probert, natives of Wales, who emigrated to this country in 1880 and settled at Olyphant, Pa. Reverend Probert was a minister of the Congregational Church and a brother of Rev. Lewis Probert, of Wales. Doctor and Mrs. Jenkins were the parents of four children: John, a graduate of Scranton High School, associated with Mathew Bros. Drug Company, Scranton; David Gwynn, associated with Hagen Lumber Company, Scranton; Edmund Lewis and Mary Evelyn, both students. Doctor Jenkins was married the second time on Sept. 1, 1926, to Miss Sarah Edwards, the daughter of John T. and Elizabeth Edwards. Mr. Edwards, an architect and mechanic, resides in Scranton. His wife is deceased.

Doctor Jenkins is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State, and American Medical Associations, and he is a member of the staff of the West Side Hospital, Scranton. He is a Republican, a member of the Welsh Baptist Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic lodge, Irem Country Club, Irem Temple, Elks lodge, Knights of Pythias, American Legion, and Chamber of Commerce.

Henry J. Butler, president of the T. M. Miller Company, is a successful business man and highly esteemed citizen of Scranton. He was born in this city, April 16, 1866, and is the son of Thomas and Ann (Kennedy) Butler.

Thomas Butler, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He was born in County Limerick, and emigrated to the United States in the early fifties, settling in Scranton, where he was employed by the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company. He died in 1875 and his wife died in 1898. They are buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. Both were members of St. Peter's Cathedral. Ann (Kennedy) Butler was born in Queen's County, Ireland, and was the daughter of Alexander Kennedy, one of the earliest settlers

of Carbondale, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. Butler six children were born, as follows: Anna and James, both deceased; Henry J., the subject of this sketch; Kate, lives in Scranton; Julia, married P. J. Kelly, lives in Scranton; and Thomas, deceased.

Henry J. Butler was nine years old when he went to work in the coal mines of Scranton as a breaker-boy. He attended night classes of the public schools and later enrolled in Wood's Business College. After several years he entered the employ of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company as a mill worker, and later went with Casey & Kelly, brewers, and served as assistant manager. In 1920, Mr. Butler was elected president of the T. M. Miller Company, widely known manufacturers of caskets and undertaker's supplies, in which business he had been interested since the time of its organization. He is also a director of the Dollar State Bank & Trust Company, Scranton.

In 1891, Mr. Butler was united in marriage with Miss Ellen Merrick, the daughter of Martin Merrick, a native of Ireland. To them have been born 10 children, as follows: (1) Thomas J., engaged in the insurance business, Scranton, married Miss Winifred Sullivan, and they have two children, Thomas and Janet; (2) Henry J., Jr., manager of the T. M. Miller Company, Scranton, is a World War veteran, having served in France with the 103rd Engineers, married Miss Theresa Halpin, and they have three children, James, Rose Mary, and Henry J. III; (3) Margaret U., lives at home; (4) Mary, married William Felton, hardware merchant, Scranton, and they have two children, Marion and Dorothy; (5) Frank, a graduate of Fordham University, and a veteran of the World War, engaged in the practice of law, Scranton; (6) Eugene, attends the Law School of Fordham University; (7) Ann, lives at home; (8) Alice, lives at home; (9) Gerald, lives at home; and (10) Helen, attends Marywood College.

Mr. Butler is a Democrat and takes an active interest in local politics, having served as county commissioner of Lackawanna County from 1912 until 1916. He is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, Holy Name Society, Irish-American Society, and Chamber of Commerce.

W. M. Corbin is among the progressive business men of Scranton, where he is identified with the wholesale firm of Corbin and Wiesmer. He was born at Otego, N. Y., March 1, 1888, and is a son of C. A. and Nema (MacBain) Corbin.

C. A. Corbin was born at Afton, N. Y., and his wife was born near Albany. In early life he was connected with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company as station agent at Otego, N. Y. During this time he became interested in the egg business, shipping to the markets of New York City. In 1876 Mr. Corbin formed a partnership with J. A. Wiesner of Unadilla, N. Y. and the business was conducted from these two points, with storage facilities in various cities. In 1906 the firm established a branch at Scranton and has since become the leading wholesale house of

this section, specializing in Bonnie Brook butter, eggs and cheese. In 1921 W. M. Corbin, the subject of this sketch, was made manager of the Scranton business. His brother, C. Ralph Corbin, is manager of the firm's business at Binghamton, N. Y.

W. M. Corbin spent his boyhood in Binghamton, N. Y. and attended the public schools. He was graduated from Union College, Schenectady, N. Y. in 1909, and has since been identified with his father's business. From 1909 until 1917 he served as assistant manager of the branch at Binghamton, N. Y., and from 1917 until 1921 was branch manager at Elmira, N. Y. As above stated, Mr. Corbin has been manager of the Scranton business since 1921.

On Feb. 20, 1912 Mr. Corbin was united in marriage to Miss Sidney M. Jones at Binghamton, N. Y. Three daughters have been born to this union: Helen, Elizabeth, and Dorothy.

Mr. Corbin is a member of the Rotary Club, Scranton, Scranton Lodge of B. P. O. E. and the Jesse L. Coolley Lodge, No. 966, F. and A. M., Elmira, N. Y., where he is a charter member. He is a member of Sigma Phi Society, of Union College, of Schenectady, N. Y.

Sydney R. Bliss.—Ranking high among the successful business men, of Scranton is Sydney R. Bliss, general manager of the Bliss Silk Throwing Company. He is a native of England, born at Macclesfield, Nov. 19, 1879, the son of Valentine and Mary Ann (Rushton) Bliss.

Valentine Bliss is one of the most prominent and influential citizens of Scranton, where he has been a resident for 30 years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bliss were born in England, and after coming to the United States in 1880, located at Paterson, N. J., until 1896, when they removed to Scranton. Mr. Bliss founded the Bliss Silk Throwing Company and is now the owner of four plants of this type. He is president of the North Scranton Bank, and has various business interests in the city, holding numerous executive offices. To Mr. and Mrs. Bliss three children were born: Helen, married A. M. Fine, lives at Scranton; Dorothy A., married Robert A. Osthaus, lives at Scranton; and Sydney R., the subject of this sketch.

Sydney R. Bliss received his early education in the public schools of Paterson, N. J., and in 1896 was graduated from Patterson Classical and Scientific Preparatory College. He came to this city with his parents in that year and has always been associated with his father's business interests. In 1907 the Bliss Silk Throwing Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Bliss was elected general manager and secretary. The company's four plants are located at North Dickson, South Dickson, North Scranton, and Jessup.

In 1912 Mr. Bliss was united in marriage with Miss Helen Gertrude Jones, the daughter of John R. and Elizabeth (Kenyon) Jones, natives of Blakely, Pa. Mr. Jones was born May 27, 1858, and died in 1913. He



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was a graduate of Keystone Academy, Wyoming Seminary; and Harvard Law School, and for many years engaged in the practice of law in Scranton, with offices in the Coal Exchange Building. He served as district attorney of Lackawanna County, as school director for 15 years, and as director of the poor. In 1884 he married Miss Elizabeth Kenyon, who resides in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Bliss have three daughters: Mary Constance, Eleanor Elizabeth, and Natalie Rushton.

Mr. Bliss is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre, League of Masonic Clubs, Scranton Club, Kiwanis Club, Scranton Country Club, Irem Country Club, and Green Ridge Club. He is also a member of the Triton Fish and Game Club, Quebec, Canada.

Mr. Bliss served as president of the Pennsylvania Silk Manufacturers' Association for many years and is identified with the Silk Association of America. He is vice-president and director of the North Scranton Bank, director of the Traders National Bank, vice-president of the Wyoming Cut Stone Company, and vice-president of the Manufacturers' Association of Lackawanna County.

Roswell Phillips is one of the active business men of Scranton, where he is successfully engaged in the general insurance business, with offices at 1923 North Main Street, Providence. He was born in Johnstown, Pa., Nov. 24, 1884, a son of Rev. David C. and Mary (Evans) Phillips.

Both Rev. David C. Phillips and his wife were natives of South Wales. They came to this country in 1875, their marriage taking place in New York City. Rev. Mr. Phillips received his early education in his native land, and was a graduate of Bangor College. He attended the Union Theological Seminary of New York, and had various charges in the state of Vermont. In 1880 he removed to Johnstown, Pa., and was among those who lost his home and belongings during the Johnstown flood in 1889. During that year he removed to Scranton, where he served as pastor of the Wayne Avenue Welsh Presbyterian Church. He was an eminent writer and published several books, including the "Promised One," a life story of Christ written in poem form. Rev. Mr. Phillips died in 1915 and his wife died in 1925. Both are buried in the Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. Mary (Evans) Phillips was a sister of Rev. Philip L. Davies, a prominent minister of the Baptist Church. At the time of his death in 1874 he was pastor of a large Baptist Church in New York City. Rev. and Mrs. Phillips were the parents of five children: Rev. Arthur Phillips, D. D., Richardson Memorial Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia; David W., a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history; Roswell, the subject of this sketch; Martha E., who is supervisor of penmanship in the Scranton public schools; and Wendell, deceased.

Roswell Phillips attended the grammar and high schools of Scranton and Lafayette College, from which he was graduated in 1906, with the

degree of Bachelor of Arts. He returned to Scranton as a reporter for the Scranton Truth, and was later with the Scranton Republican under Joseph Scranton & Son, remaining with this paper until its merger with the Tribune. The paper thereafter was known as the Scranton Republican. Mr. Phillips also was connected with the Scranton Daily News as a reporter and political writer. In 1915 he became interested in the insurance business, having purchased the W. B. Christmas Insurance Agency, which was founded in 1884 by W. B. Christmas. Mr. Phillips represents 15 insurance companies with assets of \$450,000,000.

Mr. Phillips is a Republican. He is a member and an elder of the Washburn Street Presbyterian Church and served as president of the Board of Trustees for several years. He attended the Presbyterian General Assembly in San Francisco as a commissioner of the Lackawanna Presbytery. He is also president of the Lackawanna Sunday School Association and has always been prominent in Sunday School activities. He has served as president of the Lafayette College Alumni Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania and is also a prominent member of the Sigma Nu fraternity. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is chairman of the "Know Your Neighbor Committee" and chairman of the Insurance Committee. Mr. Phillips also is affiliated with Peter Williamson Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 323; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; B. P. O. Elks, No. 123; the Y. M. C. A.; the Junior O. U. A. M.; Panooka Order of Red Men; and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is president of the Scranton Insurance Association, is a member of the Pennsylvania State Insurance Association, and American Agencies Association and a director of the Rescue Mission.

William C. Bruning.—Numbered among the solid and responsible business men of Scranton, William C. Bruning has long been connected with the general mercantile business. He was born in Carbondale, Pa., Oct. 30, 1864, the son of William C. and Augusta (Bruning) Bruning.

Both William C. Bruning, Sr., and his wife were natives of Hanover, Germany. Their marriage took place in the United States shortly after their arrival in this country. They immediately settled at Carbondale, where Mr. Bruning became successful as the proprietor of a baking business. He conducted this enterprise throughout his life, his wife succeeding him as proprietor of the business. After her death the business was continued by their son, Adolph Bruning. Mr. Bruning was a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. There were 12 children in the Bruning family as follows: Doretta, Augusta, Louise, and Caroline, all deceased; Bertha, the widow of August Fritz, lives in Scranton; Minnie, married Carl Schroeder, lives in Carbondale; William C., the subject of this sketch; Elizabeth, the widow of John Smith, lives in Honesdale, Pa.; Henry, lives in Scranton; Fred, lives in Carbondale; Louise, married Martin Helmsstrom, lives in Carbondale; and Adolph Robert, lives in Carbondale.

Educated in the public schools of Carbondale, William C. Bruning began his business career at Newark, N. J., where he was interested in the produce business. Later he was located at Kansas City, Mo. In 1884 Mr. Bruning returned to Scranton, where he was identified for ten years with the general mercantile business of W. T. Smith. He then engaged in business for himself at 230 North Main Street, and in 1912 removed to his present location, 313 North Hyde Park Avenue. From a small beginning his business has had a steady growth and he now ranks among the leading merchants of the Hyde Park section.

In 1889 Mr. Bruning was united in marriage with Miss Marion Evans, the daughter of Reese T. and Mary Evans, both deceased. They were natives of Wales and early settlers of Scranton, where Mr. Evans was superintendent of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Bruning have three children: William Harold, associated in business with his father, married Carrie Maisey, and they have a daughter, Marian; Reed T. lives in Scranton; and Augusta Mary, a student.

Mr. Bruning is a Republican and has served as a member of the Scranton school board continuously since 1911. He holds membership in the Simpson Methodist-Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree. He is also a member of the Hyde Park Business Men's Association, and the Retail and Wholesale Merchants Union of Hyde Park.

John J. O'Hara, superintendent of schools and well known citizen of Throop borough, is a native of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dickson City, Aug. 4, 1871, the son of John and Nora (McHale) O'Hara.

John O'Hara was born at Dunmore, Pa., in February, 1849. He worked in the coal mines of Pennsylvania during his life and served as tax collector of Dickson City for many years. He died in December, 1917. His wife, who was born in Ireland, in January, 1849, died in February, 1919. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara: Thomas F., assistant foreman of the Scranton Coal Company, lives at Olyphant, Pa.; John J., the subject of this sketch; Mary, deceased, was the wife of Thomas S. Walsh; Alice T., lives at Throop; and P. J., assistant superintendent of the Hudson Coal Company lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

John J. O'Hara was reared and educated at Throop. In 1893 he entered Mansfield State Normal School and since the time of his graduation in 1896 has been identified with the local schools. He was a teacher in the grade schools until 1911, at which time he was appointed superintendent of schools.

On June 28, 1898, Mr. O'Hara married Miss Mary T. Hayes, of Tioga County, Pa., daughter of David and Margaret (Tuckey) Hayes. Mr. Hayes, a native of Pennsylvania, died in 1900, and his widow resides in Scranton. Mrs. O'Hara is a graduate of Mansfield State Normal School

and before her marriage was a teacher in the public schools at Morris Run and Summit, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara have been born four children: Nora L., a graduate of Westchester State Normal School, now a teacher in the grade schools of Throop; Frank J., a graduate of St. Thomas College, Scranton, where he is now registrar, and also enrolled as a law student; Margaret, a graduate of East Stroudsburg State Normal School, now a teacher in the grade schools of Throop; and Mary T., was graduated from Throop High School in 1927.

Mr. O'Hara is a Democrat and served as boro tax collector from 1906 until 1918. He is a member of St. Bridget's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus. He was one of the organizers of the Olyphant Bank in 1909, of which he has since served as a director.

Harry W. Albertson, M. D.—Standing high among the skilled professional men of Lackawanna County, Doctor Albertson, of Scranton, has honorably earned the position he occupies in his profession and community. He was born at Red Rock, Luzerne County, Pa., Aug. 2, 1875, the son of Jesse and Bertha (Seward) Albertson.

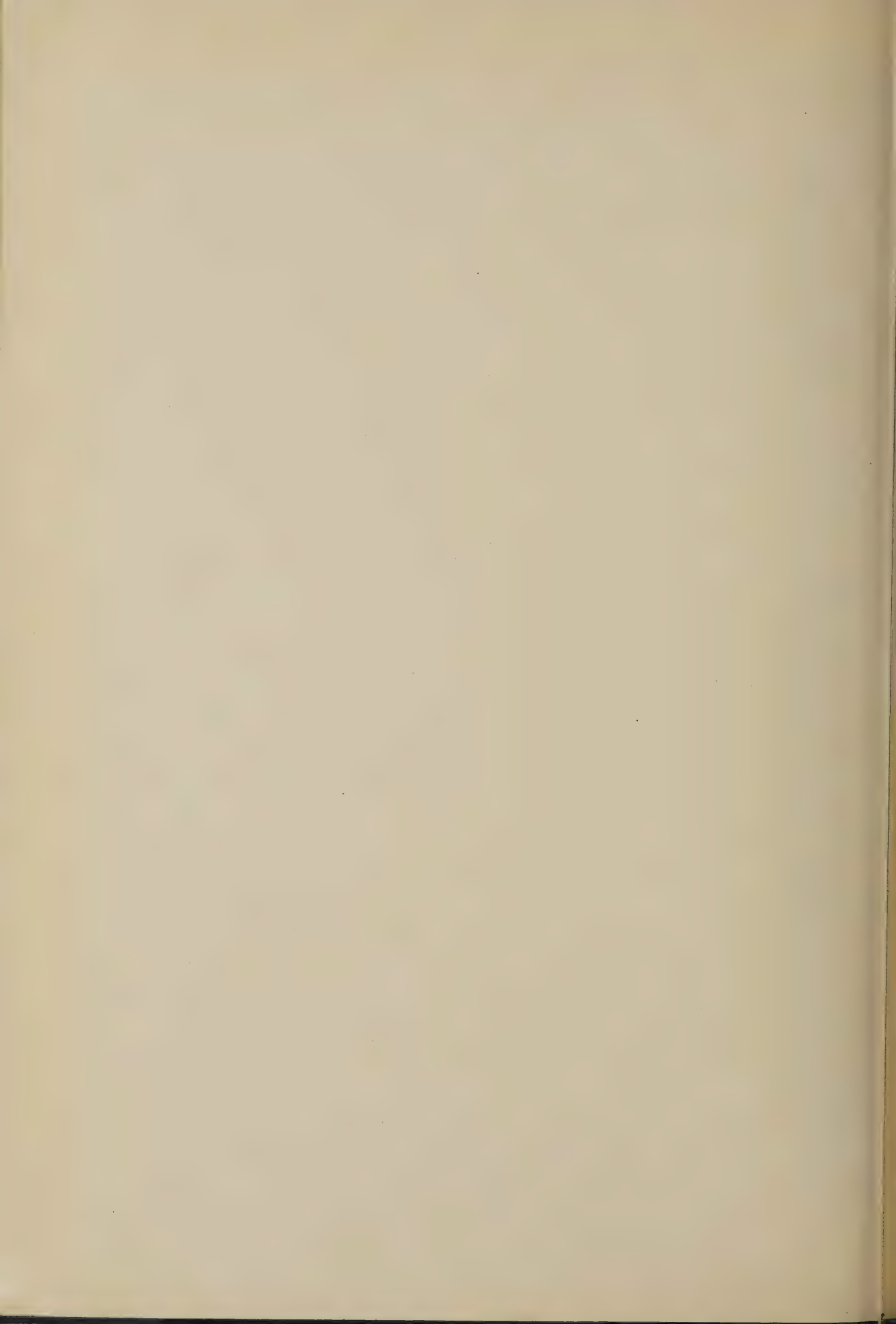
The Albertson family in America originated from one Nicholas Albertson, a Dutch trader, who settled in Long Island in 1629 and later removed with his family to New Jersey, near the present site of Blainstown. Jesse Albertson, great-grandfather of Doctor Albertson, early in the nineteenth century came to Northeastern Pennsylvania from New Jersey and purchased a tract of land in lower Luzerne County, which he cleared and farmed. The Doctor's father learned the carpenter trade, and in 1886 engaged in the contracting and building business at Dallas, Pa.

The Swards, ancestors of Doctor Albertson's mother, were of mixed British descent and were among the early settlers in the Connecticut colony, migrating through what is now Central New York into Northeastern Pennsylvania. William H. Seward, secretary of state in the Cabinet of President Lincoln, was a cousin of Doctor Albertson's grandfather. Thus a true American type is given the present generation.

Doctor Albertson was educated in the public schools of Dallas, where he prepared for and taught school, later attending Wyoming Seminary at Kingston, and then for a time entering upon a business career. But from boyhood's earliest days he had always had a desire to study medicine, and while thus engaged in business borrowed textbooks on anatomy and physiology, and devoted all his spare time to their study. In 1898 he entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, graduating with the class of 1902. After passing the examinations of the State Board of Medical Examiners the same year, he became an interne at the Fountain Springs Hospital, Ashland, Pa., where he served under the late Dr. Jonathan C. Biddle. In 1904 he opened an office in Scranton, and soon after became affiliated with the Lackawanna County Medical Society. In 1905 he



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assisted in organizing in Northeastern Pennsylvania a chapter of the Alumni Association of Jefferson Medical College, declining the presidency at that time in favor of older graduates, but serving in this capacity in 1912. This organization is today an educational institution bringing together hundreds of physicians to attend the clinics held on the day of the annual meeting.

In 1913 Doctor Albertson was elected assistant secretary of the Lackawanna County Medical Society, and appointed editor of its monthly. The next year he was elected secretary, in which capacity he served the society with unabating zeal for four years, at the same time editing the journal. These were years of steady growth of the society and unusual activity, and its successes were largely due to his efforts. As a result of this faithfulness he was selected to be the president of the society in 1918. In 1916, at the Scranton meeting of the State Society, he was chosen chairman of the Secretaries' Conference of the State Society. The following year he was elected to the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting in Pittsburgh to represent the Second Councilor District. He was at once chosen chairman of the finance committee, which office he admirably filled for eight years until chosen president-elect. Few had realized what, in his quiet way, the head of this all-important committee was doing for the society. A review of the financial condition of the State Society, with the magnificent accomplishments during these years, reflects great credit upon the finance committee. During the eight years in which Doctor Albertson was chairman of this committee, he toiled ceaselessly toward the accomplishment of a two-fold purpose; namely, acquiring a home owned by the society, and placing the finances of the organization upon a firm basis. Within the first five years the former of these was realized, when in 1922 the society purchased its present home at 230 State Street, Harrisburg. The second objective, too, has been attained. When he began his activities as chairman of the committee there was no endowment fund. He succeeded in having a small surplus, then on hand, placed as the beginning of such a fund, and today the endowment fund consists of a substantial amount. The medical defense fund was started with \$3,000 and has since grown to an amount ten times as great. Another progressive step introduced by Doctor Albertson was the budget system for the finances of all departments. Under his direction, through the work of accounting experts a complete accounting system was established. Thus the society has gained much as a result of the past work of Doctor Albertson, who is now serving as president of the organization.

During the World War, Doctor Albertson served as a member of the Medical Advisory Draft Board of Northeastern Pennsylvania. In 1922 he served as a member of the House of Delegates at the St. Louis meeting of the American Medical Association.

In 1918, during the influenza epidemic, he organized and conducted an auxiliary hospital to the hospitals of Scranton and vicinity, in the Thir-

teenth Regiment Armory at Scranton, caring for over 800 unfortunate victims of that dreadful scourge.

Doctor Albertson is a member of the staff of the West Side Hospital in Scranton, visiting physician to the Home for the Friendless, a Mason, a member of the Green Ridge Club, and of the Providence Presbyterian Church.

In 1904 Doctor Albertson married Miss Lulu M. Raub, of Dallas, Pa., who died in January, 1925. Two children were born to them: Marjorie Louise, a graduate of Central High School, Scranton; and Harry Raub Albertson, also a student.

Doctor Albertson was honored with the presidency of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society in 1926. In September, 1927, Doctor Albertson was appointed by Governor Fisher as a member of the State Board of Medical Education and Licensure, Pennsylvania, an office which he now holds. He maintains offices at 2416 North Main Avenue, Scranton.

William H. Copley.—One of the outstanding citizens of Daleville, and well known throughout the surrounding community is William H. Copley, merchant and banker. He was born at Cardiff, Wales, March 26, 1875, the son of William Henry and Elizabeth (Drury) Copley.

William Henry Copley was born in Cardiff, Wales, and came to the United States in 1879. He located at Pittston, Pa., where he became well known as a tailor, employing 12 girls in his shop. During these years he studied for the ministry, and in 1899 came to Daleville, where he served as pastor of the Methodist Church until his death, which occurred in 1917. He is buried in the new Daleville cemetery. Elizabeth (Drury) Copley was born in England in 1845, a daughter of John Drury, who came to this country and settled in Pittston. While a resident of England he engaged in the hotel business. Mrs. Copley resides at Daleville. She is a sister of the late Senator Drury of Pittston. To Reverend and Mrs. Copley one child was born, William H., the subject of this sketch.

Receiving his education in the public schools of Daleville, the early life of William H. Copley was spent as a farmer. He owned one of the finest small farms in this section, which he operated until 1897. He has since engaged in the general mercantile business at Daleville, having purchased the general store of David Dale. He also deals in real estate at Moscow and Gouldsboro. He was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Moscow, and is a director of same. Mr. Copley built the macadam road between Moscow and Gouldsboro, which was the first road of its kind to be built in the Pocono Mountains. He is also associated in business with Joseph E. Loveland, of Moscow.

In 1895 Mr. Copley married Miss Jessie May Kempher, the daughter of Jacob and Sarah Kempher, both deceased. They were of Holland Dutch descent and were natives of Allentown, Pa., and early settlers of Dalton. Mr. and Mrs. Copley have four children: (1) Harold D., born in 1900, a

graduate of Moscow High School, McCann's private school, and the University of Pennsylvania in 1922, is a World war veteran, now associated with the Harris-Forbes Bond Company of Philadelphia. (2) Ethel May, a graduate of Moscow High School, was a teacher of elocution after her graduation from Mansfield Normal School, now the wife of Prof. E. K. Loveland, of Scranton, and they have two children, Joseph and Elizabeth. (3) George, a graduate of Moscow High School, and Renaud's School of New York, now associated in business with his father at Daleville. He married Ruth Gardner, and they have a daughter, Mary Elizabeth. (4) Stanley K., a graduate of the Moscow High School and American Academy New York City.

Mr. Copley is a Republican and has served as treasurer of Covington Township for the past 15 years. He is affiliated with the Moscow Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 504, Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R., 32nd degree; Irem Temple, and Irem Country Club.

The Throop State Bank.—Among the smaller but sound banking institutions of Lackawanna County is the Throop State Bank of Throop. It was organized in 1920 and the following men have since served as its officers: August Ollendick, president; Dr. J. J. McDonnell, vice president; and G. J. Evan, cashier.

The following are the directors: C. F. Beachem, J. Berkovitz, William F. DeLaney, John Elvidge, Abe Friedman, Fred C. Fabretti, Louis Gombar, John Kacwinski, Shandor Kavaco, Dr. J. J. McDonnell, James J. McNulty, H. R. Morgan, August Ollendick, C. J. Ollendick, Paul E. Pendel, A. Ritz and F. G. Wilcox. The slogan of the bank is "A Local Institution."

The Throop State Bank is capitalized at \$50,000 and has a surplus and undivided profits amounting to an excess of \$100,000. It carries on a general banking business and prides itself as being a local institution.

H. R. Higham is among the enterprising business men of Scranton, where he is vice president of the Pierce Produce Company. He was born at Bramfield, Suffolk County, England, March 9, 1872, the son of William A. and Elizabeth (Clow) Higham. Both Mr. and Mrs. Higham who spent their entire lives in England are deceased.

The boyhood of H. R. Higham was spent in his native land, where he was educated in the public schools. He served an apprenticeship to an English grocer and in 1893 came to the United States and settled in Buffalo, where he was employed in the Chippewa Market. Two years later he removed to Scranton, where he became associated with W. H. Pierce, founder of the Pierce Produce Company. Mr. Higham was one of the organizers of the company in 1900, and held the office of secretary and treasurer until 1910, at which time he was elected vice president. The Pierce Produce Company, which is located at 22 Lackawanna Avenue, is

among the largest wholesale houses in Lackawanna County, and during its many years in business has established an excellent trade.

On Sept. 12, 1901, Mr. Higham married Miss Nora L. Sherwood, of Falls, Pa., the daughter of George and Elnora (Walter) Sherwood, the former a native of Connecticut and the latter of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Higham have a daughter, Bessie, born Oct. 26, 1902. She is a graduate of Central High School, Scranton, and is Sunday School secretary of the Elm Park Methodist Church.

Mr. Higham is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America.

William J. O'Malley, M. D.—One of the prominent physicians and surgeons of Scranton and a leading member of the medical fraternity in Lackawanna County is Doctor O'Malley, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born in Scranton, March 4, 1885, the son of John and Anna (McFadden) O'Malley.

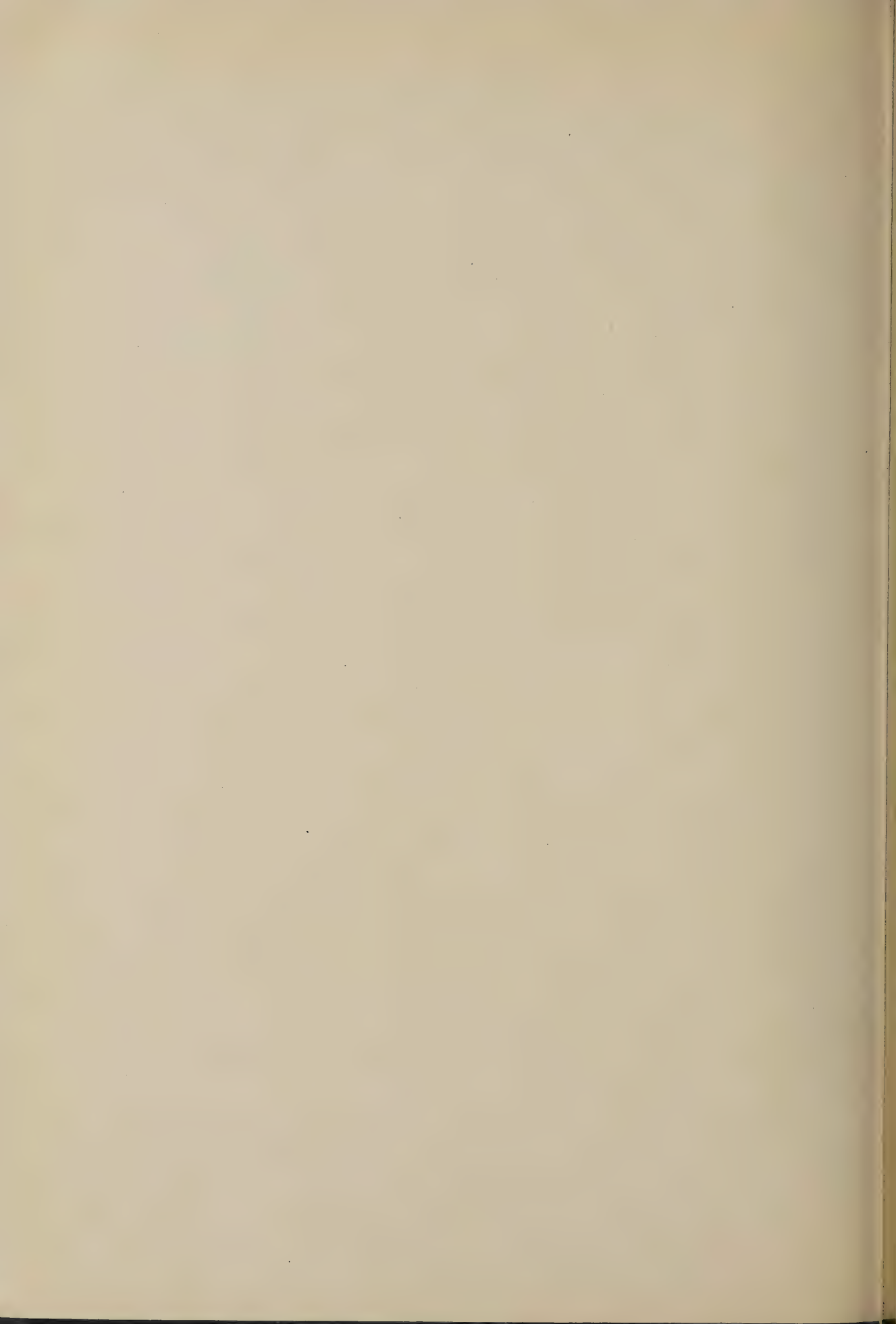
John O'Malley was born in County Mayo, Ireland, March 6, 1839. He came to the United States in 1861 and settled in Scranton, where he was employed in a rock quarry. Later he became a linen salesman and traveled extensively in this line of work for 40 years. He spent the latter part of his life in the hotel business at Hyde Park. In 1904 Mr. O'Malley returned to Ireland for a visit and died in New York City on his way home to Scranton, Aug. 23, 1904. His wife, who was born in County Mayo, Ireland, March 15, 1847, died in 1895. Ten children were born to Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley, of whom the youngest is William J., the subject of this sketch.

William J. O'Malley spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his early education here. In 1904 he entered St. Michael's College, Toronto, Canada, and after his graduation from that institution in 1907 took up the study of medicine at the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, from 1907 until 1911, and in 1912 he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Maryland Medical College at Baltimore, Md. He spent the following two years as an interne in Kingston Hospital, New York, and in 1913 became ship's surgeon out of New York City. He went to Colombia, South America, in 1915, and engaged in the practice of his profession in the gold mines there until the following year, when he returned to Scranton and engaged in general practice. During the World War, Doctor O'Malley enlisted in the U. S. Navy and was assigned as a junior lieutenant on the battleship Alabama. He spent 16 months in service and was discharged as a lieutenant in June, 1919. He then resumed his practice in Scranton and in 1925 located at 1431 North Main Street, where his home and office are combined.

On Aug. 14, 1916, Doctor O'Malley married Miss Helen Miller, of Bay City, Mich. She is a graduate of White Plains College, New York, and the Kings County Training School for Nurses, Brooklyn. They have



WM. J. O'MALLEY, M. D.



two sons: George, born June 10, 1917; and William J., Jr., born Feb. 4, 1919.

Doctor O'Malley is a member of the Lackawanna County Medical Society and is on the staff of the West Side Hospital. He is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Chamber of Commerce. He has always been a Democrat.

William T. Simpson, who lives retired at Blakely Boro, is a veteran of the Civil War, and a prominent pioneer citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born at Mauch Chunk, Pa., Aug. 27, 1847, the son of George W. and Louisa (Harris) Simpson.

George W. Simpson was born in Philadelphia. He served throughout the Civil War with the rank of Captain, and was a member of the 67th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was the son of Anna Maria Simpson, who was a well known figure in Civil War history. She had five sons in service throughout the war and was herself an active worker in the cause. With her husband, who served throughout the war, she is buried in the Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D. C. Such an honor has never been awarded any other woman. They were the parents of the following children: George W., father of the subject of this sketch; Margaret; George; William; John F.; Bushrod; and Amelia.

George W. Simpson, who died at the age of 83 years, was a prominent citizen of the community in which he lived. During the Civil War he was taken prisoner under General Milroy at Winchester, Va., and served for 21 months in the Richmond, (Va.) Prison. Later he was in Sherman's Army and transferred to Wilmington. He was discharged Aug. 12, 1865. The following children were born to George W. Simpson and his wife: William T., the subject of this sketch; Emma, deceased, was the wife of Major Roberts, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Bushrod, deceased; William T., deceased; John, deceased; Andrew Jackson, deceased; Anna Deitweiler, deceased; Mahala Davenport, died in Chicago; Harry, deceased; Laura, the widow of William Good, lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Jennie, deceased; Robert, lives in Scranton; George and John, who live at Nanticoke, Pa.

William T. Simpson was reared and educated at Mauch Chunk, Pa. When 14 years old he enlisted as a drummer boy and served as a member of Company A, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He saw active service on the Potomac and served in Virginia until the Battle of Gettysburg. He went with General Hooker with the 11th and 12th Corps of the Army of the Potomac. He participated in the following important battles and engagements: Pitcher Mills, Sept. 15, 1861; Point of Rocks, Sept. 24, 1861; Leesburg, March 8, 1862; Boliver Heights, Oct. 16, 1861; Balls Bluff, Oct. 21, 1861; Knoxville, Oct. 2, 1861; Fort Royal, May 17, 1862; Reconnaissance to Winchester, Dec. 24, 1862; Dumphries, March, 1862; Chancellorsville, May 12 and 31, 1863; Gettysburg, July 1, 2 and 3, 1863; Lookout Mountain, Nov. 24, 1863; Missionary Ridge, Nov. 25, 1863; Ringold, Nov. 27, 1863; Rocky-

face Ridge, May 8, 1864; Rasacca, May 16, 1864; Pine Knob, June 15, 1864; Lost Mountain, June 14, 1864; Peach Tree Creek, July 20, 1864; Atlanta, Sept. 12, 1864; and Nov. 15-Dec. 20, 1864, Sherman's March to the Sea. He was mustered out of service July 18, 1865, at Alexandria, Va., as drum major and went to Philadelphia. Later Mr. Simpson returned to Mauch Chunk, where he entered the government mail service. In 1886 he went to Scranton and served a year as a member of the police department. He was then made desk sergeant under Mayor Ripple and later was appointed chief under John H. Fellows and W. L. Connell. He later resigned and took office as county warden of the jail, in which capacity he served for six years. He then served on the International Detective force and was with the inspection department for 17 years. Mr. Simpson now lives retired at 1502 South Main Street, Blakley Boro.

Mr. Simpson married Miss Ella M. Ditterline, who is deceased. To them four children were born: Emma Campbell, lives at Germantown, Pa.; J. Robert, lives at Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. May Fulkenson, lives at Los Angeles; and Dr. Edsal F., a dentist, lives at Tunkhannock, Pa. Mr. Simpson later married Sarah L. Lilibridge, the widow of Jerome Lilibridge.

Mr. Simpson is a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic. He is Patriotic Instructor of Lieutenant Ezra S. Griffin, Post No. 139, Department of Pennsylvania and has always taken an active part in the activities of this organization.

John W. Houser, M. D.—The varied and general practice that has been the lot of Dr. Houser since he entered upon the activities of his profession more than 50 years ago, has brought him into contact with the medical requirements of both urban and rural communities throughout a very extensive territory. An established and skilled physician, and prominent in the affairs both of Taylor and his fraternal associations, he maintains by a high standard of practice the best tradition of the profession in this part of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Houser was born in Scranton in July, 1856, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Moser) Houser. Thomas Houser removed from Carbon County, Pa., to Scranton in 1852, where he served as superintendent of mines for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad for 23 years. He was a Republican. He died in 1903 and his wife died in 1914. Both are buried in Scranton. They were the parents of eight children, of whom John W., the subject of this sketch, is the only one living.

John W. Houser attended the public schools of Scranton and Pennington (New Jersey) Seminary. In preparation for his career he matriculated at the Albany Medical College, Albany, N. Y., where he was graduated in 1875, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He immediately located at Taylor, where he has enjoyed a fine practice through the years. Dr. Houser was one of the organizers of the Lackawanna County Medical

Society, and has served as local health officer for 13 years. He is recognized as one of the leading bone specialists in the country.

On Sept. 23, 1878, Dr. Houser married Miss Sophia Mahoney, who was born at Waverly, Pa., Aug. 19, 1856, the daughter of Jerry Mahoney, a native of Ireland. To Dr. and Mrs. Houser were born five daughters: Edith, married Joseph Curt, automobile dealer, Scranton; Lida, married George Warner, electrical engineer, Detroit, Mich.; Christine, lives at home; Helen, mention of whom is made below; and Gretchen, a member of the faculty of Taylor High School.

Helen Houser, M. D., attended the Women's Medical College, Philadelphia, from which she was graduated in 1915. After an internship in a Philadelphia hospital she engaged in private practice in Scranton in 1916, with offices in the Bowman Building. She is a member of the staff of the West Side Hospital, Mercy Hospital, and is also connected with the Pennsylvania State Clinic. She lives at home with her parents.

Dr. Houser has always been a Republican and is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Fern A. Olver is among the prominent young men of Scranton, where he is identified with the Electric City Bank & Trust Company as cashier. He was born in Scranton, March 22, 1897, a son of Charles E. and Nettie M. (Fern) Olver.

Charles E. Olver, deceased, was a prominent attorney of Scranton for many years. He was born at Beach Lake, Wayne County, Pa. He was a graduate of the Law School of the University of Michigan and engaged in practice in Scranton from the date of his graduation until his death, which occurred in July, 1906. His widow resides in this city, where she was born. She is the daughter of John and Euphemia B. (Hall) Fern. Mr. Fern was employed for many years by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a mine foreman. To Mr. and Mrs. Olver two sons were born: Fern A., the subject of this sketch; and Rev. Paul S., a minister of the Episcopal Church, lives at Mohegan Lake, Pa.

After completing his schooling at Central High School, Scranton, Fern A. Olver took extension work through the University of Pennsylvania. He began his banking career as a messenger boy with the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank, Scranton, and in April, 1924, resigned as note teller. He then became assistant cashier of the Electric City Bank & Trust Company, and on Jan. 1, 1927, was promoted to cashier.

Mr. Olver was married Oct. 21, 1922, to Miss Hazel E. Evans, of Pittston, Pa., the daughter of David and Harriet (Owens) Evans. They have a son, Fern Allan, born Sept. 10, 1926.

Politically Mr. Olver is a Republican. He holds membership in the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Consistory. He has a wide acquaintance in Scranton, where he has always lived.

Frank H. Coughlin.—One of the progressive business men of Scranton is found in Frank H. Coughlin, assistant to the president and purchasing agent for the Pennsylvania Coal Company, and the Hillside Coal Company, of Dunmore. He was born at Hawley, Pa., the son of Michael and Mary A. (Brown) Coughlin.

Michael Coughlin, deceased, was a native of Ireland, and an early settler of Pennsylvania. His wife was a native of Pennsylvania. She died at the Coughlin home in Scranton March 14, 1928.

At the age of nine years Frank H. Coughlin went to work at the Jermyn-Manville Colliery as a slate picker, at the same time attending night school. He spent two years as a cash boy in the Boston Store, Scranton, and at the age of 13 years entered the employ of the Hillside Coal & Iron Company as an office boy. By hard work and the strictest attention to his duties he was promoted to manifest clerk and later became cashier and bookkeeper for the company. In 1901 Mr. Coughlin was appointed chief clerk to the general manager (the late Capt. W. A. May) of the concern, and in 1917 was made assistant to the president. He has served as purchasing agent also since Aug. 1, 1923.

Mr. Coughlin was married to Miss Mary E. Farrell, the daughter of Michael W. and Mary (Scanlon) Farrell, both deceased. Mr. Farrell was born in Ireland and his wife was a native of England. Mary E. (Farrell) is deceased and is buried in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Moscow, Pa.

Mr. Coughlin is a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church (Green Ridge) and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree. He is a member of the Scranton Club, Fox Hill Country Club, Equity Club, Catholic Club, Y. M. C. A., and Chamber of Commerce. At the present time he is a trustee of Scranton and Dunmore Community Chest, and also a member of the Dunmore Professional and Business Men's Club. He has served three years as a member of the Dunmore School Board. Mr. Coughlin lives at 1640 Monroe Avenue, Dunmore.

Louis Ziegler Schumacher is among the enterprising young business men of Scranton where he is manager of the Globe Silk Mill. He was born in this city, April 2, 1902, the son of Louis and Charlotte (Ziegler) Schumacher.

Louis Schumacher was born in Scranton in 1863. He is a plumber and steam fitter by trade and has spent his entire life in Scranton. He is a director of the New Building & Loan Association at 501 Cedar Avenue. Louis Schumacher, Sr., is one of the founders and is now treasurer of the Globe Silk Mill. Mr. and Mrs. Schumacher are the parents of the following children: Charlotte, lives at home; Henrietta, married Walter Maher, associated with Hower & Stender, Scranton; and Louis Ziegler, the subject of this sketch.

Louis Ziegler Schumacher attended the public and high schools of Scranton and is a graduate of Lackawanna Business College. He has been



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associated with the Globe Silk Mill since 1918, and has held his present position as manager since 1925. The officers of the Globe Silk Mill are: Henry J. Ziegler, president; William C. Hessinger, secretary; and Louis Ziegler Schumacher, manager.

Mr. Schumacher is a member of the German Presbyterian Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Knights of Malta, and P. O. S. of A.

John G. Hughes, president of the Pierce Produce Company, is a member of one of the oldest and best known families of Scranton, where he was born March 9, 1870. He is a son of Evan D. and Anna M. (Grover) Hughes.

Evan D. Hughes, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Butler, Pa., in 1837, and was among the earliest settlers of Scranton, where he engaged in the general mercantile business. He served throughout the Civil War as a member of the Sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry, Army of the Potomac, and was injured and taken prisoner by the Federal troops at the battle of Beverly Ford. After the close of the war, Mr. Hughes returned to Scranton where he was employed as a conductor on the Lackawanna & Bloomsburg Railroad. He died in 1908 and his wife, who was born at Hicks Ferry, Pa., is also deceased. They were the parents of six children.

John G. Hughes was educated in the public schools of Scranton and attended Wyoming Seminary. In 1888 he became associated with the firm of Pierce & Holdgate, which was incorporated in 1894 as the Pierce Product Company. At that time Mr. Hughes became a member of the firm and in 1911 was elected vice president and manager of the wholesale department. In 1914 he was made president of the corporation.

On May 23, 1894, Mr. Hughes married Miss Bertha C. Longshore, the daughter of Dr. A. B. Longshore, of Scranton.

In politics Mr. Hughes is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and its various branches and also belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America.

Frank M. Lynch was born in Olyphant Borough, May 17, 1874, the son of James J. Lynch, formerly of Dunmore, and Mary (Mooney) Lynch, a native of Carbondale, and has been a lifelong resident of that borough. His father, one of the earliest and most successful business men of his community, was a man of pleasing personality and kindly feeling, and had a wide circle of loyal friends throughout the Lackawanna Valley. He was president of the Olyphant Water Company, Dickson City Water Company, Priceburg Electric Light Company, and director of several other companies at the time of his death.

Frank M. Lynch attended the public schools of Olyphant, School of the Lackawanna under Prof. Walter Buell, at Scranton, and was graduated

at Yale College in the class of 1897. He entered Yale Law School, but upon the death of his father in January, 1898, he completed his law studies in the law office of O'Brien & Kelly, and was admitted to the Lackawanna County bar, Jan. 19, 1899.

Mr. Lynch has continued in the general practice of law, and at the same time has devoted considerable of his time to the business affairs of silk manufacturing companies, in which he is largely interested. He is president of the Olyphant Silk Company, of Olyphant, Pa.; West Pittston Silk Throwing Company, West Pittston; and Lycoming Silk Company, Williamsport, Pa., all of which companies were organized by Mr. Lynch. He is also secretary and vice president of the Chenango Silk Company, of Binghamton, N. Y., as well as secretary and vice president of the Chenango Textile Corporation, also of Binghamton, N. Y., which latter company now owning the entire capital stock of the above subsidiary companies is considered a very substantial factor in the silk industry.

Mr. Lynch is a member of the Scranton Club, the Country Club of Scranton, and the Yale Club of New York City. During the World War he served as an active worker on various patriotic committees and boards.

Mr. Lynch was married at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, to Helen Messenger Merriman, daughter of Friend F. and Helen A. (Messenger) Merriman, of Dunmore. They have five children: (1) James M, a graduate of Yale (Sheffield), class of 1925; (2) Mary, a graduate of the College of New Rochelle, N. Y.; (3) Marjorie, a graduate of Notre Dame Academy, Staten Island, New York; (4) Frank M; (5) Helen M.

Michael E. Comerford, one of the most popular men of Scranton, Pa., a progressive and energetic business man, is owner of the State Theatre, located on Wyoming Avenue, this city. He was born May 10, 1868, in Minersville, Schuylkill County, Pa., a son of John and Catherine (Devey) Comerford. His father was a miner and farmer, and rated a substantial citizen of the community.

Michael E. Comerford was educated in the local public schools and completed his schooling in business college. For many years he followed various occupations, working in the mines and as a traveling salesman, gathering valuable experience and turning to good account his shrewdness and energy. He finally capitalized all this in his present occupation of motion picture theatre owner and operator.

Mr. Comerford is president of the Comerford Amusement Company. In 1919 the company purchased six theatres: Happy Hour, at Dunmore, Pa.; Favini and Gem, Scranton; Regent and Strand, Geneva, N. Y.; and Strand, Sunbury, Pa. In 1920 three more theatres were added to the list: Bell Theatre, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Pastime Theatre, Duryea, Pa.; and the New Capital Theatre, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. In 1923 the company purchased the Amusu and Loomis Theatres, Sayre, Pa.; New Sayre Theatre, Sayre; Morley Theatre, Athens, Pa.; Keystone, at Towanda, Pa.; and the Tioga,

at Owego, N. Y. Later in that year the company sold their seven theatres in Sayre and vicinity. In 1924 an interest was purchased in the Poli Theatres of Scranton and Wilkes-Barre. In 1925 the Shawnee Theatre at Plymouth was opened, and in 1926 the company purchased the Academy Theatre, Scranton; Capitol Theatre, Scranton; Stone Opera House, and Binghamton Theatre, at Binghamton, N. Y.; and they erected the new Irving Theatre, at Carbondale, Pa. Mr. Comerford thoroughly understands the popular taste and thus maintains a program that appeals to large audiences.

In politics Mr. Comerford is a Democrat, much interested in the welfare of his town. He has never sought or held public office. He is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles; Scranton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Comerford is a member of St. Peter's Catholic Cathedral.

In 1910, Michael E. Comerford was married in Scranton, to Miss Margaret Walters. Mr. and Mrs. Comerford are the parents of a daughter, Muriel Walters Comerford.

T. Linus Hoban.—One of the well known and successful young attorneys of Scranton is T. Linus Hoban, who is a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, Sept. 23, 1893, and is the son of Thomas P. and Jane F. (Donnelly) Hoban.

Thomas P. Hoban, attorney, is among the leaders of the bar of Lackawanna County, where he has been engaged in the practice of law for many years. He was born at Hawley, Pa., Feb. 1, 1857. Mr. Hoban received his education in the public schools and is a graduate of St. John's College, New York. He is a brother of the late Rt. Rev. Michael J. Hoban, bishop of Scranton diocese.

T. Linus Hoban spent his boyhood in Scranton and attended the parochial schools. In 1911 he was graduated from St. Thomas College and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Holy Cross College two years later. He received his degree in law from the School of Law, University of Pennsylvania, in 1917, and was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in December of that year. On May 12, 1917, Mr. Hoban volunteered for service in the World War and attended the first Officers Training School at Madison Barracks, N. Y., where he was commissioned as a second lieutenant. He was then transferred to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where he was an instructor. He served as a first lieutenant with Company K, 311th Infantry, 78th Division, and was later made battalion supply officer of the Third Battalion. He served in the St. Mihiel offensive, Sept. 12th to 16th, and the Meuse-Argonne offensive, being severely gassed during the latter engagement. He was discharged from service May 26, 1919, and returned to Scranton, where he became associated in the practice of law with his father. Mr. Hoban served as assistant city solicitor for four years under Mayor John Durkin and on Jan. 28, 1927, was elected

city chairman of the Democratic party. He has offices in the Connell Building.

Mr. Hoban is a Democrat, a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, Elks Lodge, Scranton Club, American Legion, Army and Navy Club of New York, La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux, Delta Chi fraternity, and Chamber of Commerce. In December, 1919, Mr. Hoban was commissioned in the 109th Infantry of the Pennsylvania National Guard and holds the rank of captain and adjutant of that military organization. He is identified with the Lackawanna County Bar Association and is a representative member of the community in which he has spent his entire life.

Dr. James D. Lewis, director of public health, ranks high among the leading physicians and surgeons of Scranton, where he has engaged in the practice of his profession continuously since 1910. He was born in Pontardawe, Wales, April 8, 1880, and is the son of John E. and Mary (Davies) Lewis.

John E. Lewis, who resides in Scranton, is a native of Wales. About 1888 the Lewis family came to the United States and settled in North Scranton, where Mr. Lewis was employed in the mines until his retirement in 1915. He is a Republican and holds membership in Dr. Jones Memorial Welch Congregational Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis eight children were born, as follows: Elizabeth and Eunice, both died at the age of 14 years; Evan J., a teacher in the public schools, Scranton; Elvet, attends the School of Medicine, University of Michigan; James D., the subject of this sketch; and three children died in infancy.

James D. Lewis was a boy of eight years when his family came to this country and located in Scranton. During his boyhood he worked in the coal mines of Leggitt Creek, and at the age of 21 years became a miner. Shortly afterward he entered the preparatory department of Olivet College, from which he was graduated in 1904. The following year he entered the School of Medicine, University of Michigan, from which he received his degree in 1909. He spent the following year as an interne in Lackawanna State Hospital, and in July, 1910, established his present practice in Scranton, with offices at 204 West Market Street. Doctor Lewis was appointed public health director of Scranton in January, 1926.

In August, 1917, Doctor Lewis volunteered for service during the World War and entered the U. S. Army Medical Corps, at Camp Oglethorpe, Ga., where he received the commission of first lieutenant. He was assigned to the Fifty-first Infantry, Sixth Division, and in February, 1918, was commissioned a captain. He served in France with this unit until January, 1919, at which time he was discharged.

In 1913 Doctor Lewis was united in marriage with Miss Myrtle Roberts, the daughter of John and Annie (Brace) Roberts, of Clarks Green, Pa. They had a son, John Marshal Lewis, who attends Junior High School,



DR. JAMES D. LEWIS

Dr. Stevens owned and operated a drug store in connection with his medical practice at 2103 Washington Avenue. He stills owns this business building, but now devotes his entire time to his practice of medicine.

Dr. Stevens was married April 8, 1891, to Miss Mayme Chapman, of Hamlin, Pa. They have four children: Celia G., who died May 24, 1909; Carl V., born April 30, 1893, attended the Perkiomen Seminary and Scranton Business College, lives in New Jersey; Leonora, died in infancy; and Glenn E., born Dec. 21, 1898. He was educated in the public schools of Scranton and attended Pennsylvania State College and Jefferson Medical College. In 1923 he entered the Charles University of Prague at Czecho Slovakia where he was graduated in Medicine on March 23, 1928. He returned to Scranton in April, 1928, and engaged in practice.

Dr. Stevens is a Republican, a member of the Green Ridge Ashbury Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. He is also identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State and American Medical Association.

Michael B. Comerford.—To his present successful general management of the Comerford Amusement Company at Scranton, Mr. Comerford has brought and applied those capabilities that are the broad qualifications of the educator; and his interests in his present activities are marked with the same practical system and intellectuality that rendered his work of twenty years as a teacher and school principal valuable to the communities that he served.

Michael B. Comerford was born in Plymouth Township, Luzerne Ciunty, Pa., Feb. 3, 1883, the son of Patrick and Ellen (Brown) Comerford.

Patrick J. Comerford was born at Hecksherville, Schuylkill County, Pa. He spent practically his entire life in the coal mines of this region and was living retired at the time of his death, March 18, 1926. He is buried in St. Vincent's Cemetery, Plymouth, Pa. Mr. Comerford was a Democrat and served as tax collector of Plymouth Township. He was a member of St. Vincent's Catholic Church, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Catholic Mens Benevolent Association, and St. Patrick's Society. Ellen (Brown) Comerford, who resides at Larksville, Pa., was born in Plymouth Township. To Mr. and Mrs. Comerford were born ten children: Catherine, first, deceased; Michael B., the subject of this sketch; John, lives at Plymouth, Pa.; Catherine, a nurse, lives in Philadelphia; Margaret, first, deceased; Mary, deceased; Helen, a teacher, lives at Larksville, Pa.; Margaret, a teacher, Larksville; Joseph, a physician, lives in Scranton; and Thomas, lives in Scranton.

Michael B. Comerford attended the public and high schools of Plymouth Township and was afterwards graduated from St. Vincent's Academy. He is also a graduate of Pennsylvania State College, and Wharton School, Philadelphia. He then taught and was principal of schools in

Plymouth Township and in Larksville, Pa., after which he became associated with his uncle, Michael E. Comerford, in the general management of the Comerford Amusement Company. In 1923 he came to Scranton, where he has since been identified with the Comerford interests as general manager.

In 1915 Mr. Comerford was married to Miss Anna Feeney, the daughter of Michael and Margaret (Tracey) Feeney, natives of Ireland, and early settlers of Plymouth, Pa. Mr. Feeney is deceased and his widow resides at Larksville, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. Comerford have been born five children: Helen, born in October, 1916; Margaret, born March 3, 1918; Thomas, born March 5, 1920; Michael B., Jr., born Feb. 1, 1922; and William, born Oct. 25, 1926.

Mr. Comerford is a Democrat and served as treasurer of the borough of Larksville for six years. He is a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge, Irish-American Society and Holy Name Society. He is also a member of the Kiwanis Club, Equity Club, Abington Hills Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Richard J. Bourke.—Few men are better known in Central Pennsylvania than Richard J. Bourke, prominent lawyer of Scranton, whose name has been prominently associated with the banking profession and silk industry of the state, and who, during the World War, was a foremost worker for the United States in Scranton. A leading Republican of Scranton, and a vigorous participant in all the party's campaigns and affairs, he has been frequently suggested for high public offices, but has consistently refused to be a candidate.

Richard J. Bourke was born in Scranton, May 8, 1869, of Irish parentage. His father was William Bourke, a farmer, and a native of County Mayo, Ireland, and his mother, Catherine (O'Malley) Bourke, also a native of County Mayo.

Richard J. Bourke was educated in the public and high schools of Scranton, and in the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1896 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts, he having taken post-graduate work in the university. Whilst attending the University of Pennsylvania, Mr. Bourke read law and prepared for the bar examinations in the law offices of Cole & Davis, Philadelphia, and a few months after graduation he took the examinations and was admitted to the Pennsylvania state bar. Since 1896, he has conducted a general legal practice in Scranton with offices in the Brooks Building.

But though always forging ahead at the bar, Mr. Bourke has for many years been actively interested in the development of banking and the silk industry, and he was one of the organizers and founders of the National Bank of Archbald, Pa., the Keystone Bank, in West Cranden, the Wyoming Silk Company and many other concerns, in all of which he is today either

an active official or a director. He is as prominent among lawyers as he is in the banking and silk manufacturing circles as a result of this work and interest.

Mr. Bourke was a member of the Thirteenth Pennsylvania Regiment in the Spanish-American War, from which he emerged a sergeant. During the World War, his patriotism came to the surface again and he served on various draft boards and committees, on Liberty and Victory Loan boards, and as a "four-minute" speaker, spreading the "word" of American loyalty and raising the morale of those whose duty compelled them to remain at home and give support other than by use of arms.

Mr. Bourke married Anne B. Barrett, a native of Carbondale, Pa., the daughter of Michael and Mary Barrett, in Scranton, in 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Bourke have five children: 1. Richard J., a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Md. 2. John B., a graduate of Pennsylvania State College. 3. Lewis. 4. Charles. 5. Mary. The Bourke family attend St. Peter's Catholic Church. Their home is at 715 Linden Street, Scranton.

Leslie A. Marsh has had an experience in the banking business covering a period of 14 years, and as a banker and citizen has had an important part in the business and civic life of Dunmore. He was born at Newark, N. J., Sept. 2, 1879, son of Andrew J. and Emma L. (Boyer) Marsh, his father a native of New Jersey, and his mother of England, and still living. Andrew J. Marsh, who died in 1919, was a painter by vocation.

Leslie A. Marsh acquired a public school education and for some years was employed in mercantile establishments, and was with a wholesale bakery until 1912, when he entered the Anthracite Trust Company, at Scranton, as bookkeeper and teller. Mr. Marsh, in 1918, came to the First National Bank of Dunmore, succeeding E. R. Kreitner as cashier. While his home is in Scranton, he has given his business time to his duties with the bank at Dunmore, and has accumulated many interests in that community. The First National Bank of Dunmore was organized and founded in 1910 by Michael J. Murray, Sr., who remained its president until his death on Feb. 21, 1919, when he was succeeded by F. T. Mongan, now president. The present officers of the bank are as follows: F. T. Mongan, president; Dr. Myles A. Gibbons, vice-president, and Leslie S. Marsh, cashier. The bank has had a steady growth, and is the leading financial institution of Dunmore.

Mr. Marsh served two years as treasurer of the Dunmore School Board, and during the World War was in charge at Dunmore as chairman of the War Savings Stamp Committee. He is a Republican, and in 1906 Mr. Marsh was elected borough clerk of Dunmore and held that office until 1913, when he resigned. He is affiliated with King Solomon Lodge, No. 584, F. and A. M., and Irem Temple Shrine at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., is a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, at Dunmore. He



LESLIE A. MARSH



is vice-president of the Dunmore Business Men's Club, and is a member of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Marsh married, in 1913, Lily Weston, a native of England, and they have three children: Warren L. and Robert W., twins, born in 1918; and a daughter, Frances L., born in 1924.

M. A. Hendrick, funeral director, is a progressive business man of Carbondale and a member of one of the city's oldest families. He is the son of Thomas A. and Margaret (Crane) Hendrick.

Thomas A. Hendrick was born in Scranton in 1860. He spent the greater part of his life in Lackawanna County and was the founder of the first funeral home in Carbondale, about 35 years ago. This business is now conducted by his son. Mr. Hendrick was active in local politics and served as postmaster of Jermyn and burgess of Avoca. He died in Carbondale, March 1, 1923, and is buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mayfield, Pa. Mr. Hendrick was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Jermyn. His widow was born at Dunmore, Pa., and now resides at Jermyn. To Mr. and Mrs. Hendrick were born three children: Mrs. Anna McGoff, lives at Scranton; M. A., the subject of this sketch; and Julia, lives at Jermyn.

M. A. Hendrick received a common school education in Carbondale and after completing a course at St. Mike's Embalming Institute he became associated with his father's business.

On Jan. 21, 1923, Mr. Hendrick was married to Miss A. Wolcott, of Carbondale, a daughter of David Wolcott.

Politically Mr. Hendrick is a Democrat. He is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth degree.

Joseph J. Walsh.—Ranking high among the leading young attorneys of Scranton is Joseph J. Walsh, who represents a family that has been prominent in the city since 1846. He was born in Scranton, July 22, 1896, and is the son of Dr. John J. and Elizabeth (Mahon) Walsh. A complete sketch of Doctor Walsh appears elsewhere in this history.

Joseph J. Walsh received his early education in the parochial schools of Scranton and in 1915 was graduated from St. Thomas College. He received his degree as Master of Arts from Fordham University in 1918, and two years later was graduated from the Law School of Fordham University. In 1921 he received his L. L. M. degree from the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. Mr. Walsh spent the following two years as a member of the faculty of the Law School at the Catholic University, and in 1923 located in Scranton. He has been in his present location in the Lincoln Trust Building since June 1, 1926, and has an excellent practice. Mr. Walsh was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County, August 27, 1921; in February, 1922, was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; in October, 1921, was admitted to the District of Colum-

bia bar; and has since been admitted to the Federal and Superior courts and the Court of Claims, Washington, D. C.

During the World War Mr. Walsh volunteered for service, and was attached to the U. S. Signal Corps, 30th Service Company, at City College, New York. He was discharged in December, 1918.

Mr. Walsh is a Democrat and in 1926 was the nominee representing the Democratic party for Congress from the 11th Congressional District, but was defeated by Colonel Watres. He is a member of St. Johns, the Evangelist Church, Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Fox Hill Country Club, and Lackawanna County Bar Association.

W. G. Drouin, M. D., a representative member of the medical profession in Scranton, and one of the leading citizens of this city, is a veteran of the World War. He was born in France, Oct. 20, 1883, the son of Wilford George and Margaret (Hamel) Drouin.

Wilford George Drouin was born in France. In early life he settled in Montreal, Canada, where he engaged in the real estate business for 30 years. He died in France, June 14, 1913, and his wife died Nov. 21, 1917. They were the parents of five children: Dr. F. X., physician and surgeon; Alphonsine, married Ludger Nider; Angelina, died at the age of 21 years; Sarah, married Joseph Wollett; and W. G., the subject of this sketch. All the members of the family are residents of Paris.

W. G. Drouin studied medicine at the Montreal University from which he was graduated in 1903. He also received a degree from the Medical University of Paris in 1905, and spent the following four years as an interne at Hotel Dieu, Paris. In 1909 Dr. Drouin came to the United States and served as resident physician of the Boston City Hospital until the outbreak of the World War. He immediately returned to France and enlisted in the Medical corps of the French Army, in February, 1917. When America entered the war in 1917 Doctor Drouin enlisted in the U. S. Medical Corps, being an American citizen, and received the commission of captain. He was discharged at Camp Meade, Baltimore, June 18, 1919. Dr. Drouin spent the following three years in post graduate work with the Mayo Brothers clinic, and in 1922, established his present practice in Scranton. He is a member of the staffs of Mary Keller Hospital, and Mercy Hospital, and is also identified with the county, state and national medical associations.

On July 25, 1920, Dr. Drouin was married to Miss Winifred Toole, who was born in Scranton, Sept. 11, 1894, the daughter of Thomas and Anna (Folan) Toole, natives of Ireland. Mr. Toole, who lives retired at Minooka, came to the United States in 1880, and for many years was employed in the coal mines of Scranton. His wife died Feb. 29, 1915, and is buried in the Keller Cemetery, Scranton. They were the parents of the following children: Thomas, professor of education at Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) College; Winifred Drouin; Simon, lives in Scranton; Robert, a teacher, lives in New York

City; Patrick, died in May, 1927; William, electrical engineer, lives at Newark, N. J.; Ruth, married William McNeil, lives in New York City; and Frederick, lives in New York City.

Dr. Drouin is a Republican, and a member of the Catholic Church. He is a citizen of responsibility and prominence.

Edward G. Tyrrell.—One of the progressive and best known young business men of Carbondale is Edward G. Tyrrell, who is superintendent of the Klot's Silk Throwing Mills. He was born in South Wales, Feb. 9, 1897, and is the son of William L. and Sarah Jane (Goodwin) Tyrrell.

Both William L. Tyrrell and his wife were born in Wales. They were early settlers of Carbondale, where Mr. Tyrrell has been employed in the silk mills for many years. His wife is deceased and is buried in Brookside Cemetery, Carbondale.

At the age of ten years, Edward G. Tyrrell was brought to the United States by his parents. He has since lived in Carbondale and after completing his schooling he became interested in the silk manufacturing business. He has been employed by the Klot's Silk Throwing Mills during his entire business career and has held his position as superintendent of the local plant since 1920.

On June 11, 1913, Mr. Tyrrell married Miss Helen M. McNulty, of Carbondale, the daughter of James J. and Sarah Jane (Craig) McNulty. They have two sons, Edward G., Jr., and Robert James.

Politically Mr. Tyrrell is a Republican. He is a member of the Berean Baptist Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Elks Lodge, Kiwanis Club, Craftsmens Club, and Elk View Country Club.

J. R. Kieler, M. D., of Simpson, is one of the capable young physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was born at Simpson, Dec. 31, 1898, and is the son of John and Mary (Ulias) Kieler.

John Kieler is a prosperous merchant of Simpson, where he has engaged in business for almost half a century. Both he and his wife were born in Poland and were early settlers of Lackawanna County. She died in 1915 and is buried in St. Michael's Cemetery, Simpson. Mr. and Mrs. Kieler were the parents of 10 children, of whom J. R., the subject of this sketch, was the third in order of birth.

J. R. Kieler acquired his early education in the public schools of Simpson and in 1915 was graduated from the Polish National Alliance College at Cambridge Springs, Pa. Five years later he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He spent the following year as interne in the State Hospital at Scranton, after which he located at Simpson, where he already has an excellent practice.

On April 22, 1922, Doctor Kieler was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Swiderski, of Syracuse, N. Y. They have three daughters:

Virginia, born in 1923; Lorraine, born in 1925; and Bernadette, born in 1927.

Doctor Kieler is a Republican and a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church.

John Warren Knedler, M. D.—One of the foremost physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County, is Doctor Knedler, who has engaged in the practice of his profession at Moscow for the past 25 years. He was born at Alburdis, Lehigh County, Pa., Dec. 7, 1871, the son of James Franklin and Eliza Ann (Hensinger) Knedler.

James Franklin Knedler, who lives retired at Alburdis, Pa., is a native of Lehigh County. He was born Nov. 15, 1846, and has spent practically his entire life at Alburdis, where he engaged in the hotel business as proprietor of the Eagle House. He retired from business in 1907. Mr. Knedler is a Republican and served as treasurer of the borough for several years. He is a member of the German Lutheran Church. His wife, also a native of Lehigh County, is deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Knedler three children were born: Irvin Franklin, deceased; Alice K., married Rev. George Hertzog, a minister of the Presbyterian Church, Phoenixville, Pa.; and John Warren, the subject of this sketch.

John Warren Knedler is of Holland Dutch ancestry, his grandfather being one of three brothers to emigrate to the United States. One settled in the West, one in Philadelphia, and one in Lehigh County.

The early education of Doctor Knedler was received in the public schools of Alburdis. He was graduated from Keystone Normal School in 1889, and spent the following two years as a teacher in Lehigh County. After a medical course at the University of Pennsylvania, he graduated with the class of 1895 and received his degree of Doctor of Medicine. He served as interne in the University Hospital and in the fall of 1895 established his offices at Elmhurst, Pa. He removed to Moscow in 1902, and has continued there until the present time as a physician and surgeon.

Doctor Knedler is vice-president of the First National Bank, Moscow, and was one of the organizers of the Scranton Electric Company, of which he served as president.

In 1897 Doctor Knedler was united in marriage with Miss Sally K. Greiss, the daughter of George and Anna Greiss, natives of Lehigh County. Both Mr. and Mrs. Greiss are deceased. Doctor and Mrs. Knedler have three children: Kathryn, married Lieut. W. O. Erickson, U. S. Air Service, Scott Field, Bellville, Ill., and they have a son, John Leif Erickson; John Warren, Jr., a graduate of Moscow High School, Bloomsburg Normal School, and Harvard University, now a professor at Harvard; and Elizabeth Ann, a graduate of Moscow High School, attends Penn Hall, Chambersburg.

Doctor Knedler is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical

Association. He is a Republican and served as president of the school board for 16 years. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has been choir leader for many years. Doctor Knedler is prominent as a musician, and is director of Knedler's Band, which was organized by him in 1904.

Timothy J. Gilhool, who carries on a general mercantile business in Carbondale, and who is serving as city assessor, was born in this city, Nov. 27, 1876, the son of Thomas and Catherine (Killeen) Gilhool.

Thomas Gilhool, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He spent many years in the employ of the Van Bergen Foundry, Carbondale, and died in 1880. His wife is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Gilhool had six children: Margaret and Anna, both deceased; Thomas, lives at Carbondale; Timothy J., the subject of this sketch; Catherine, a graduate nurse, Kensington Hospital, Philadelphia, lives in Carbondale; and Mrs. George Kusmack, lives in Carbondale.

Timothy J. Gilhool was reared and educated in Carbondale and for several years was employed by James P. Loftus, superintendent of the Hudson Coal Company, as an office boy. He was then employed by the O. & W. Railroad for a number of years, and has been interested in the mercantile business in Carbondale for the past 35 years. He was elected city assessor in November, 1925.

On Nov. 27, 1920, Mr. Gilhool married Miss Margaret Carden, of Carbondale, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Carden. The former is deceased and the latter resides in Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Gilhool have no children.

Mr. Gilhool is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus fourth degree, and Elks Lodge. He is a Democrat.

H. B. Sproul.—One of the enterprising and successful business men of Scranton is H. B. Sproul, who is president of the Sproul Construction Company, of 7 Olive Street. He was born at Keyport, N. J., June 24, 1880, the son of Joseph P. and Elnora (Bedle) Sproul.

Joseph P. Sproul, deceased, was a prominent citizen of Keyport, N. J., where he spent his entire life. He was a farmer and stockman and was also president of the Peoples National Bank at the time of his death, Jan. 19, 1926. He is buried in Keyport Cemetery. His widow still resides at Keyport, where she was born. Mr. Sproul was a Democrat and a member of the Methodist Church. There were six children in the Sproul family, as follows: H. B., the subject of this sketch; Flora, deceased; Frank, a farmer, lives on the old homestead; Pierson, deceased; Elizabeth and Lois, both at home.

The boyhood of H. B. Sproul was spent at Keyport, where he was educated. He studied civil engineering and later was associated in the con-

struction business with Charles N. Hinman of Binghamton, N. Y. Mr. Hinman was killed in an accident in 1908 and at that time Mr. Sproul took over the business which was then known as the Hinman and Sproul. The business was originally located at Schenectady, N. Y., and in 1908 was removed to Peekskill, N. Y. Mr. Sproul came to Scranton in 1919 and since that date has conducted his business in this city. He lives at 732 Clay Avenue.

On Oct. 26, 1904, Mr. Sproul was united in marriage with Miss Alma J. Roraback, who was born at Hudson, N. Y., Jan. 24, 1881, the daughter of Allen and Emma (Hamm) Roraback. Mr. Roraback was born in New York, July 31, 1850, and his wife was born May 26, 1854. They were early settlers of Schenectady, N. Y., where Mr. Roraback followed his trade as a carriage maker. His wife died May 10, 1923, and is buried at Hudson, N. Y. Mr. Roraback lives retired at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sproul in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Sproul have been born three children: Joseph H., born at Schenectady, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1907, is associated with his father's business; Allen C., born at Peekskill, N. Y., Nov. 6, 1908; and Alma R., born at Peekskill, N. Y., May 31, 1914.

Mr. Sproul is a member of the Methodist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Elks Lodge. He has always been a Republican.

Dr. John J. Walsh, deceased, was for many years a leading physician and surgeon of Scranton. He was born in this city, May 30, 1861, the son of Patrick and Bridget (Loftus) Walsh.

Patrick Walsh was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and emigrated to the United States in 1846, and settled in Scranton. He was employed by the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company for 14 years, and later owned and operated a farm of 200 acres near Waymart, Pa. Both Mr. Walsh and his wife are deceased.

John J. Walsh spent his boyhood on his father's farm and attended the public schools of Waymart. He was later graduated from Honesdale Academy and Waymart State Normal School, and began his medical career with Doctor Niles, of Waymart. Later he entered Jefferson Medical College, and after his graduation in 1886, he engaged in practice at Olyphant, Pa., for five years. From 1891 until the time of his death, Dec. 31, 1919, Doctor Walsh was one of the most prominent physicians and surgeons of Lackawanna County. He was also prominent in the social and civic life of the city.

On Jan. 3, 1894, Doctor Walsh was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Mahon, who survives him. She is active in church work in the city and is well known for her many charitable deeds. She is the daughter of James and Nora (Kennedy) Mahon. Mr. Mahon was a leading citizen of Scranton, where he engaged in the general insurance business. Both he and his wife are deceased. To Dr. John J. and Elizabeth (Mahon)

Walsh six children were born: Joseph J., lives in Scranton; Stanley, lives in Philadelphia; Mary Esther, lives in Scranton; Paul P., lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.; and John J., attends the Law School of Fordham University.

Doctor Walsh was a member of the Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus.

Josie Langan, proprietor of the Mitchell Hotel at Jessup since 1890, is a member of the oldest families of Lackawanna County. He was born in Scranton, Feb. 15, 1871, the son of Michael and Elizabeth (Daley) Langan.

Michael Langan was born in Ireland in 1841. He was one of the first settlers of Scranton, having come here with his parents when 15 years of age. He followed mining and until the time of his death lived in Scranton. He met with an accidental death, April 15, 1889, and his wife, also born in Ireland, died Oct. 1, 1898. Both are buried at Dunmore, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Langan were the parents of four children: John, died in 1925, was a prosperous merchant of Jessup; James, died in 1890; Bridget, the widow of John E. Lawler, lives at Jessup; and Josie, the subject of this sketch.

Josie Langan spent his boyhood in Scranton and Jessup. He followed mining for several years and since 1890 has been connected with the Mitchell Hotel as proprietor. He has been prominent in the political life of the city, having served as president of the boro council for several terms, as treasurer, and as president of the school board.

Mr. Langan is not married.

Patrick F. Hughes, one of the most representative business men and respected citizens of Carbondale, was born here Nov. 26, 1866, and is a son of Anthony and Bridget (Flannery) Hughes.

Anthony Hughes was a native of Ireland and was one of the early settlers of Carbondale, where he was interested in the general mercantile business for more than half a century. His wife was also born in Ireland.

Patrick F. Hughes spent his boyhood in Carbondale and when a young man learned the plumber's trade. He was later associated in the manufacturing business with his brother, Thomas Hughes, and afterwards served as a traveling salesman for Dryfus Plum & Company for a period of 21 years. Mr. Hughes is now extensively engaged in the real estate business in Carbondale and is one of the leading brokers of the county. He has offices at 33 South Main Street.

In April, 1902, Mr. Hughes married Miss Ella Boland, of Carbondale, the daughter of Michael and Catherine Boland. Before her marriage Mrs. Hughes was a teacher in the public schools of Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes have five children, as follows: Dr. Patrick Boland, a physician,

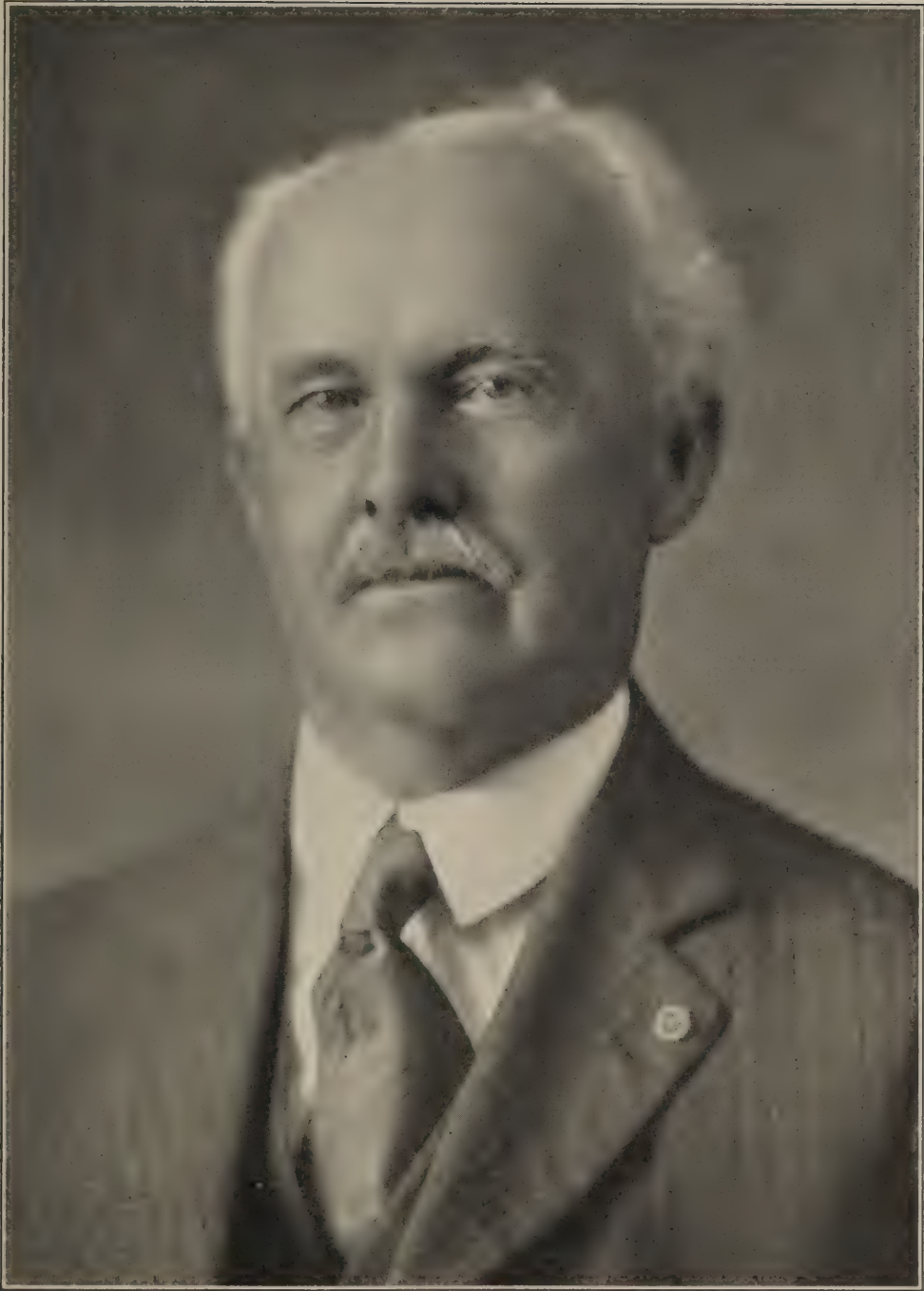
was graduated from the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1926, now an interne in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Joseph, attends the School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania; Thomas, attends the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania; ———, attends Trinity College, Washington, D. C.; and Charles Robert, was graduated from Carbondale High School in 1927.

Mr. Hughes is a Democrat and served as city treasurer of Carbondale in 1916 and 1917. He is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge of Scranton.

John Scheuer, Jr.—One of Scranton's prominent men is John Scheuer, Jr., who is the head of the biggest cake and cracker baking concern in Northeastern Pennsylvania. He has served as a member of the Select Council of the city, been a delegate to the State Republican Convention, and served in the Electoral College in 1924, being one of the presidential electors who returned President Calvin Coolidge to the White House. He has been a leader in Pennsylvania and Scranton politics for more than forty years and is still active in political and civic circles.

John Scheuer, Jr., was born in Scranton, Dec. 12, 1858, one of five sons. His father was John Scheuer, Sr., a native of Bavaria, Germany, who came to Scranton in early manhood and founded the industry which his son now heads. John Scheuer, Sr., died in 1911. His wife was Petronella (Hoffman) Scheuer, a native of Hessen, Germany, who passed away in 1890. Their children were: George, John, Henry, Philip, Peter, and Catherine. In early life John Scheuer, Sr., was a linen weaver by trade in his native land. He was engaged in the rebellion of 1848 and came to this country the same year, landing in New York. He made the trip from that city to Scranton by foot, and after his arrival in this city secured employment in the blast furnaces of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company under Joseph H. Scranton. After several years John Scheuer worked with John Jermyn, running ore trucks from the ore mines and logs to the saw mills. In 1860 he entered the dairy business, being the first milk dealer in the City of Scranton. Later he became interested in a retail grocery business on Willow Street, and in 1874 founded a bakery at 342 Locust Street, which he conducted with his two sons. He retired from active business in 1889 and lived at 342 Locust Street, Scranton, until his death, April 11, 1911. Conard Scheuer, the father of John Scheuer, Sr., came to the United States from his native land in 1850, and located in Scranton, with his children, where he remained until his death.

John Scheuer, Jr., was educated in the public schools of Scranton and in the Scranton Business College. Immediately upon finishing his education, together with his four brothers, he joined the father in the baking business. The bakery was originally known as the John Scheuer Baking Company, but in 1889 the sons took over the business and changed its name to Scheuer Brothers. They incorporated in 1901 and again changed



JOHN SCHEUER, JR.



the name, this time to the Pennsylvania Baking Company, George Scheuer being elected president, and John Scheuer, Jr., secretary and treasurer. When George Scheuer withdrew in 1922, John Scheuer, Jr., became president, and his son, William W. Scheuer, succeeded him as secretary and treasurer.

The Pennsylvania Baking Company now confines itself to the baking of cakes, cookies and crackers. In 1884 the plant was moved from 344 Locust Street to 341 Brook Street, its present location. In Brook Street the business at first was carried on in a small two-story wooden building. Additions were gradually made and a new brick and concrete structure finally built and annexed. The plant now has 45,000 square feet of floor space and employs more than 200 persons. The products are distributed within a radius of 200 miles of Scranton. Not only is the concern the oldest of its kind in Northeastern Pennsylvania, but, after experiencing gradual steady growth, is now the biggest in that section of the state. John Scheuer, Jr., has been its president since 1922. He is also a director of the Anthracite Trust Company.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Scheuer was a member of the Select Council of the city in 1887 and 1888, and served in the State Legislature from 1899 to 1902, besides having been a convention delegate and a presidential elector in 1924.

Mr. Scheuer is a member of Schiller Lodge (Scranton), Free and Accepted Masons, and of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, the Scranton Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Boy Scout Council. He belongs to the Hickory Street Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Scheuer was married in Scranton in 1881 to Miss Anna M. Linn, of this city. She was the daughter of William and Anna (Hammen) Linn. Mr. and Mrs. Scheuer have six children: William W.; Anna C., who married Dr. G. U. Huber; Dorothy; John C.; Ruth L. E.; and Berenice.

J. Norman Gelder, postmaster of Carbondale, represents one of the prominent and respected families of Lackawanna County. He was born at Carbondale, Oct. 13, 1876, and is the son of Frederick T. and Catherine (Blake) Gelder.

Frederick T. Gelder was born in Pontefract, Yorkshire, England, Dec. 21, 1839, and his wife was born in Dyberry Township, Wayne County, Pa., Jan. 18, 1843, the daughter of John and Catherine (Endean) Blake. They were the parents of four sons and a daughter, viz.: Bentley B., lives at Carbondale; J. Norman, the subject of this sketch; Frederick T., State Senator and publisher of the Forest City News, lives at Forest City, Pa.; Harold B., lives at Carbondale; and Catherine Leona, lives at Carbondale. Mr. Gelder, son of George and Sarah (Bentley) Gelder, of Pontefract, England, came to America in 1860. During the Civil War he served in the Third New Jersey Infantry during the three months' service, and then re-enlisted in the First New Jersey Cavalry. In 1864 he took up his resi-

dence in Carbondale and for many years was proprietor of the Union foundry. He died in 1911 and his wife died in 1917. They are buried in Brookside Cemetery.

J. Norman Gelder attended the public schools of Carbondale, and for several years was employed as a reporter on a local newspaper. He was later city editor for the Carbondale Evening News. He has been interested in business in Carbondale for a number of years, having purchased the feed store of Lynch & Bronson. He was appointed postmaster in 1922 and reappointed to this office in 1926.

Mr. Gelder is prominent in local politics and is a Republican. He is a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church, and is affiliated with the various branches of the Masonic order. He is unmarried.

Peter Jenerotti, justice of the peace, is among the popular young men of Jessup. He was born in Italy, April 11, 1899, the son of Nazarro and Alice (Sylvester) Jenerotti.

The Jenerotti family has lived in Jessup continuously since 1901, having come here from Italy at that time. Nazarro Jenerotti was employed in the coal mines of this section for several years and is now interested in the bakery business at Jessup. There were 16 children in the Jenerotti family, 13 of whom survive.

Peter Jenerotti was two years old when his family settled at Jessup. He attended the public schools and when a boy went to work in the coal mines here as a breaker boy. He was employed in the mines for about 13 years, and in January, 1924, accepted the office of justice of the peace at Jessup.

Mr. Jenerotti was married on July 11, 1925, to Miss Nellie Angrandi, of Archbald, Pa., and they have a daughter, Cecelia, born May 2, 1926.

Politically, Mr. Jenerotti is a Republican. He is a member of the Catholic Church and a director of the Italian-American Protective Association of Jessup.

John P. Kelly, druggist, is among the enterprising and successful young business men of Jessup, where he was born, Nov. 21, 1900. He is the son of John E. and Bridget (Mullen) Kelly.

John E. Kelly was born at Hawley, Pa. He has been in the employ of the Scranton Coal Company for the past 28 years, and during this time lived at Jessup. He has served as school director during this time and is a highly esteemed citizen of the community. His wife is deceased. She was born at Hawley, Pa. Mr. Mullen died in 1906 at the age of 70 years. His widow, who was born in County Mayo, Ireland, resides at Jessup, and is now 90 years of age. She was among the first settlers of Hawley. To John E. and Bridget (Mullen) Kelly eight children were born: Dr. Gerald A., leading physician and surgeon of Jessup, was graduated from the

University of Pennsylvania in 1922, married Miss Celestine Wasman of Carbondale, June 25, 1924; Dr. Joseph J., leading dentist, of Jessup, was graduated from Temple University, Philadelphia, in 1927; Mrs. Leo Robinson, lives at Carbondale; Constance, lives at home; John P., the subject of this sketch; and three children died in infancy.

John P. Kelly obtained his early education in the public and high schools of Jessup, and in 1922 was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. He then assumed the management of the Old Forge Drug Store, Lackawanna County, and in 1923 established his present drug business at Jessup.

Mr. Kelly is a Democrat, a member of St. James Catholic Church, Jessup, and belongs to the Holy Name Society, and Upsilon Sigma Phi fraternity. He is not married.

Dr. T. G. Gallagher, dentist, is among the successful young professional men of Lackawanna County, engaged in the practice of his profession at Mayfield. He was born at Jessup, Lackawanna County, March 31, 1893, the son of Michael and Catherine (Kelly) Gallagher.

Both Michael Gallagher and his wife were born in Ireland. About 1860 they emigrated to the United States and settled at Jessup, where Mr. Gallagher engaged in contracting work. He died in 1918, and his wife died in May, 1926. They were members of St. James Catholic Church. Their children were: Mrs. Mary Harkins, deceased; Dr. P. J., dentist, lives at Jessup; Mrs. Bridget McAndrew and Michael, live at Jessup; T. G., the subject of this sketch; James and Agnes, live at Jessup.

T. G. Gallagher received his early education in the schools of Jessup and later attended Stroudsburg State Normal School. He received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at Temple University in 1918, after which he was associated with the Philadelphia Dentists of Scranton. In May, 1925, he established his present practice at Mayfield.

During the World War, Doctor Gallagher volunteered for service and was stationed at a camp in Georgia throughout the war period.

Doctor Gallagher is a member of St. James Catholic Church, Jessup, and belongs to the American Legion. He is active in the Scranton Dental Society, Susquehanna and Lackawanna Dental Societies, and the American Dental Society. Politically he is a Democrat.

D. B. Robbins, who has been in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad for a period of 62 years, is among the highly respected and well known citizens of Carbondale. He was born near Honesdale, in Wayne County, Pa., Sept. 27, 1853, the son of Isaac and Parthenia (Bunnell) Robbins.

Isaac Robbins spent his life in Wayne County and for many years was in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad. He died in 1881,

at the age of 47 years, and is buried in Maplewood Cemetery, Carbondale. He was a Republican and a lifelong member of the Methodist Church. His widow, now 91 years of age, lives in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Robbins 11 children were born, of whom D. B., the subject of this sketch, is the oldest.

D. B. Robbins attended the public schools of Fairview and when 12 years of age entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad as a switch boy, receiving 75 cents per day for his services. In 1874, when the steam railroad replaced the old gravity road, he became a brakeman and served between Carbondale and Wilkes-Barre. In October, 1877, he was promoted to freight conductor over the same road, and in 1898 entered the passenger service as a conductor. He is the oldest passenger conductor in the company's service and is justly proud of his long and faithful record.

On Jan. 25, 1885, Mr. Robbins was married in Carbondale to Miss Emma Monnacott, of Waymart, Pa., a daughter of Daniel and Jane Monnacott. The former, a native of England, is deceased. Mrs. Monnacott lives in Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Robbins have no children.

Mr. Robbins is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge of Scranton, and Brotherhood of Railway Conductors.

James Francis Loftus is a veteran of the Civil War and one of the highly respected pioneer citizens of Jessup, where he has lived for almost 70 years. He was born in New York, May 10, 1848, the son of James and Mary (Henley) Loftus.

Both James Loftus and his wife were natives of Ireland, born in County Mayo. About 1858 they emigrated to the United States and settled in Lackawanna County, where Mr. Loftus spent the remainder of his life in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company. He met an accidental death at Archbald, Pa., and is buried at Jessup. His wife is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Loftus had nine children, of whom James Francis, the subject of this sketch, is the oldest.

James Francis Loftus spent his boyhood in Ireland and was 14 years old when his family came to this country. He worked in the coal mines of Lackawanna County for many years, beginning as a breaker boy and slate picker. He later was employed as blacksmith and carpenter. Since 1924 Mr. Loftus has served as custodian of the Franklin School at Jessup. He has been a resident of this place for many years and has had a prominent part in the city's history, having served as burgess for five terms, justice of the peace for 40 years, and secretary of the school board.

Mr. Loftus was married on Dec. 26, 1869, to Miss Margaret Gilroy, who died in 1873, leaving a daughter, Julia Ann, now deceased. She was the wife of Walter Haley. On Jan. 10, 1874, Mr. Loftus married Miss Jane E. Johnston, of Ireland. To them the following children were born:

Margaret Reap, lives at Jessup; Martin J., Mrs. M. A. Fagan, and James F., who live at Jessup; Bernette and Catherine, both deceased; Edward Z., lives at Jessup; Gertrude, deceased; and Viola, who is principal of Jessup High School.

Mr. Loftus is a Democrat, a member of St. James Catholic Church, and belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic, being the only surviving member of the local post of that organization.

George W. Morgan, a director of the Liberty National Bank, is among the responsible business men of Dickson City, where he has lived practically his entire life. He was born at Beauford, Wales, and came to this country with his parents when he was six years of age. The family located at Olyphant, where Mr. Morgan was educated. He was employed in the coal mines of Lackawanna County for a number of years, and in February, 1908, he became interested in business at Dickson City as proprietor of the city's first motion picture theatre. He now owns theatres in Olyphant also, which are under his management. Mr. Morgan has been a resident of Dickson City for 43 years. He has been connected with the Liberty National Bank since its organization.

On Nov. 27, 1901, Mr. Morgan was married to Miss Maud L. Williams of Olyphant. They have no children.

Mr. Morgan is a Republican, a member of the Welsh Baptist Church of Olyphant, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Red Men. For many years he was prominent in the affairs of the United Mine Workers and served as president of the local organization for some time. Mr. Morgan is also affiliated with the Masonic Lodge in its various branches, and his wife is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Dames of Malta, and Eastern Star.

Thomas J. Williams has been successfully engaged in the lumber and hardware business at Blakely Borough for several years and is a representative citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born at this place, Sept. 28, 1877, the son of John P. and Lavina (Williams) Williams.

John P. Williams, who lives retired at Olyphant, is a native of Wales. He was born in 1854 and has lived in Lackawanna County since 1870, and is a well known pioneer miner of this valley. His wife was born in Schuylkill County in 1854, and died Jan. 18, 1927. To Mr. and Mrs. Williams 11 children were born, three of whom survive: Thomas J., the subject of this sketch; William R., and Chester A., who lives at Olyphant.

With his boyhood spent at Olyphant, Thomas J. Williams attended the public schools and Scranton Business College. He began his business career with the Peck Lumber Company at Peckville. He served as the company's bookkeeper for 22 years and was afterwards manager for a period of eight years. In April, 1924, Mr. Williams resigned his position

and engaged in business for himself at Blakely Borough. He handles a complete line of builders' supplies and general hardware and has a well established trade.

On June 7, 1903, Mr. Williams was married at Olyphant to Miss Elizabeth Miles, a native of England. They have five children: David J., associated in business with his father; Lavina, a graduate of Bucknell University; Mary Miles, attends Bucknell University; Esther J., attends Dickson City High School; and Lester, twin brother of Esther J., died in infancy.

Mr. Williams is a Republican, a member of the Welsh Baptist Church at Olyphant, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and Knights of Malta. The Williams home is at 711 West Lackawanna Avenue, Olyphant.

William Schwarz is among the popular merchants of Scranton, where he is engaged in the wholesale fruit and produce business. He was born in this city, June 18, 1883, and is the son of Frederick and Louisa (Apple) Schwarz.

Frederick Schwarz was born in Scranton in 1865 and has spent his entire life in this city. Until his retirement in 1917 he was well known among the city's fruit dealers. His wife died in 1919 at the age of 55 years and is buried in the Dunmore Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Schwarz were the parents of five children.

William Schwarz was employed in the coal mines of this section as a breaker boy. He attended the public schools of Scranton and in early youth was associated in his father's business. In 1919 Mr. Schwarz embarked in business for himself, and later engaged in partnership with M. J. Burke, with whom he is now associated. Their business is located at 12 Lackawanna Avenue.

In 1910 Mr. Schwarz was married to Miss Martha B. Zimmer, of Scranton. They have seven children, as follows: Gertrude M., William J., Emma E., Anna B., Lewis G., Lila M., and Jean.

Mr. Schwarz is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Scranton.

Herbert A. Thomas, capable superintendent of the Blakely Infirmary, near Peckville, is widely and favorably known throughout Lackawanna County. He was born in Wales, June 14, 1872, the son of John and Margaret (Ajax) Thomas.

John Thomas spent his entire life in Wales and is now deceased. His wife died in 1923 at the age of 85 years. To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas the following children were born: William, lives in Wales; Herbert A., the subject of this sketch; Thomas O., deceased; Emily, deceased; John, lives in Wales; and Mrs. Benjamin Richards.

At the age of 18 years Herbert A. Thomas came to the United States and settled at Scranton, where he was connected with the traction com-

pany of that city. Nine years later he took charge of the Hillside Home at Clark Summit, Pa., and served as superintendent until 1903. He then purchased the Wilson Hotel at Peckville, which he operated until 1916. Mr. Thomas has held his present position as superintendent of the Blakely Infirmary since March 17, 1920.

Mr. Thomas married Miss Margaret Kellett, a native of England. They have no children.

Mr. Thomas is a Republican, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

The Blakely Infirmary has 70 inmates and the property consists of 210 acres of the finest farm land in Lackawanna County. During the second year of Mr. Thomas's superintendency the farm income showed a savings of \$38,000. The farm is a model institution, complete in every detail. All food products are raised under Mr. Thomas' supervision. His farming ability is proven by the fact that he holds the record for growing potatoes in the State of Pennsylvania, having raised over 500 bushels to the acre on a four-acre tract.

F. J. Dickert is among the highly successful and widely known business men of Scranton, where he is interested in the insurance business as representative for the New York Underwriters Insurance Company, with offices at 614-16 East Locust Street. He is also vice-president of the Black Diamond Silk Company, and vice-president of the South Side Bank of Scranton, as well as a director of the Bosak State Bank. Mr. Dickert was born at Xions, Posen, Poland, Nov. 27, 1858, the son of John and Teofila (Kubicki) Dickert.

John Dickert and his wife were natives of Poland, where they spent their early lives. Both died in June, 1911, Mr. Dickert being 92 years of age and his wife being 75 years old at the time of her death. They are buried in Scranton. Mr. Dickert was a stone mason by trade. There were two sons born to Mr. and Mrs. Dickert: Stephen, keeper at Fairview Hospital, Scranton; and F. J., the subject of this sketch.

At the age of 12 years F. J. Dickert worked in the coal mines as a slate picker. He attended the parochial schools later and then learned the cigar making trade, at which he was employed for 18 years. He then became interested in the grocery business and was thus engaged for a period of 30 years. At present Mr. Dickert is extensively interested in the insurance business and is well known in that particular field.

On June 13, 1882, Mr. Dickert was united in marriage with Miss Wilhelmina Oswald, of Scranton, the daughter of Joseph and Fredericka (Halter) Oswald, natives of Germany. Mr. Oswald died March 7, 1913, at the age of 82 years, and his wife died Oct. 1, 1892, at the age of 64 years. To Mr. and Mrs. Dickert were born six children, as follows: Theresa Jankowski, grocer, 531 Brook Street, Scranton; Martha Eiden, whose husband is an electrical contractor, 523 Beech Street, Scranton; Rose Sporer, whose husband is a meat dealer, 918 Beech Street, Scranton;

F. J., Jr., interested in the insurance business with his father, 614 East Locust Street, Scranton; Joseph, chauffeur, Cleland Simpson Company, lives at 704 Cedar Avenue, Scranton; and Edward, salesman for Stoehr & Fister, lives at 1606 Pittston Avenue, Scranton.

Mr. Dickert is a Republican and for 27 years served as a director of the poor. He is a member of the Polish and German Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Maennerchor.

Fred A. Westpfahl.—One of the younger business men of Scranton is Fred A. Westpfahl, who is successfully carrying on the business which was established by his paternal grandfather in 1886. Mr. Westpfahl was born in Scranton, May 7, 1899, the son of Albert F. and Mary E. (Shelp) Westpfahl.

Albert F. Westpfahl, deceased, was a highly esteemed citizen and successful business man of Scranton. He was born in this city, Sept. 25, 1870, the son of John C. and Augusta (Rabe) Westpfahl.

John C. Westpfahl was born in Germany in 1836, the son of Frederick Westpfahl, who spent his entire life in Germany. John C. Westpfahl came to the United States about 1863 and settled in Scranton, where he was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. During the Civil War he volunteered for service and served as a member of Company K, One Hundred Thirty-second Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was wounded at the battle of Antetiam. After the close of the war he returned to Scranton, where he founded the Westpfahl Mercantile Company in 1886. He died Nov. 13, 1903, and his wife died May 4, 1888. To John C. and Augusta (Rabe) Westpfahl the following children were born: Amelia, Charles W., Wanda, and Albert F.

Albert F. Westpfahl attended the public schools of Scranton and during his entire life was interested in the general mercantile business. He was also president of the Rice Grocery Company, wholesale dealers, of Scranton. Mr. Westpfahl died Sept. 22, 1921, and is buried in Scranton. He was a Republican, a member of the Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, Irem Temple, Scranton Athletic Club, and Scranton Republican Club. He was also a director of the South Side Bank. On April 15, 1895, Mr. Westpfahl married Miss Mary E. Shelp, the daughter of Charles Shelp, of Hawley, Pa. She resides in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Westpfahl three sons were born: Fred A., the subject of this sketch; John, born in 1905, attends the University of Pennsylvania; and Frank, lives in Scranton.

Fred A. Westpfahl received his early education in the public schools of Scranton and in 1918 was graduated from Mercersburg Academy. He also attended the University of Pennsylvania. During the World War Mr. Westpfahl was a member of the Students Army Training Corps, University of Pennsylvania, and was discharged as a sergeant in the Motor Transport Corps. Since completing his schooling he has been connected



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with the Westpfahl interests as general manager, and since the death of his father, has been made a member of the firm.

In 1923 Mr. Westpfahl married Miss Margaret John, the daughter of David R. and Margaret (Davis) John. Mr. John was born in Wales in 1865, and died in Scranton, July 17, 1925. He spent many years in Scranton in the employ of the Hudson Coal Company, and later lived on a farm at Dalton, Pa. He was a Republican and served as county treasurer of Lackawanna County. Mr. John was affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, and Knights of Malta.

Politically Mr. Westpfahl is a Republican. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, League of Masonic Clubs, Kiwanis Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He served as president of the Wholesale and Retail Merchants Credit Union of Lackawanna County from its organization in 1927 until April 2, 1928. He is treasurer of the Retail Merchants Protective Association, and a member of the Commercial Association of Scranton. He is a director of the South Side Bank, director of the Scranton Base Ball Club, and is a leading citizen of the community in which he lives.

Edward A. Judge, vice-president of the Lackawanna Thrift & Loan Association, and president of the Judge Coal Company, is a reliable and widely known man of Scranton. He was born at Jessup, Pa., May 1, 1879, and is a son of Patrick and Mary (Durkin) Judge.

Patrick and Mary Judge were born in Ireland and were among the earliest settlers of Lackawanna County. He is deceased and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Olyphant. His widow resides in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Judge 12 children were born, of whom Edward A. is the fifth in order of birth.

Edward A. Judge attended the grammar schools of Jessup. At an early age he was employed in the coal mines of Lackawanna County and worked as a slate picker. Later he served as a clerk in the employ of the Dolph & Robertson Coal Company at Jessup, and in 1914 resigned from the company's employ as a bookkeeper. He has since engaged in business for himself and is now president of the Judge Coal Company, as well as owner of the Glendale Anthracite Coal Collieries. He is vice-president of the Lackawanna Thrift & Loan Association of Scranton and is a stockholder in the Jessup Bank.

On June 16, 1904, Mr. Judge married Miss Bridget T. Walsh, of Jessup. They have two children: Edward A., Jr., born in 1910, attends St. Thomas College, Scranton; and Catherine M., born in 1912, attends Marywood College.

Mr. Judge is a Republican, a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Elks Lodge. He is a member of the Engineers Club of Scranton.

Matthias J. Stipp, who is in the automobile business as president of the Stipp Motor Company, is among the enterprising and progressive business men of Scranton. He was born in this city, and is the son of Matthias and Ellen A. (Marquardt) Stipp.

Matthias Stipp, retired, has spent his entire life in Scranton. His wife is also a native of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Stipp have four sons: Arthur, lives at Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ezra F., lives at Carbondale; Matthias J., the subject of this sketch; and Paul L., lives in Scranton.

Matthias J. Stipp attended the public schools of Scranton and when 18 years of age became interested in construction work in this city. He retired from this work five years later as a member of the firm of M. Stipp & Sons, and in 1924 organized the Stipp Motor Company, of which he is president and treasurer. C. W. Buck is vice-president and secretary. The company has the local agency for the Hudson and Essex cars and is located at 510-512 Wyoming Avenue. A first-class service station is operated in connection with the salesroom.

On June 1, 1918, Mr. Stipp was united in marriage with Miss Charlotte Schneider, of Scranton. They have a son, Ralph, born June 12, 1920.

Mr. Stipp is a Republican, a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Chamber of Commerce, and Motor Trade Association.

Dr. William F. Budenbach, well known orthopedic specialist of Scranton, was born in this city, Aug. 28, 1871. He received his education in the public schools and for 30 years followed the barber trade. Later he became interested in the study of orthopedics and attended Dr. Schuster's School in New York City. He has engaged in the practice of his profession in Scranton since 1919, and is one of three specialists in this particular line in the city. He has offices in the Traders Bank Building.

On Nov. 28, 1893, Doctor Budenbach was married to Miss Catherine L. Emick, of Scranton, the daughter of Jacob and Caroline Emick, both deceased. They are the parents of the following children: Corrinne, lives at home; Esther, a graduate of Central High School, teacher of piano, lives at home; Viola, a graduate of Central High School, technician in charge of Morris Taylor Hospital Laboratory, Scranton; Catherine, a graduate of Central High School, instructor in the International Correspondence Schools, Scranton; William F., Jr., a graduate of Central High School, connected with the Pennsylvania State Highway Engineering Corps; and Olive, a graduate of Central High School and the Powell Business College, employed in the Dollar State Bank, Scranton.

Doctor Budenbach is a Republican, a member of the German Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the P. O. S. of A., and Maennerchor Club of Scranton.

Doctor Budenbach is also identified with the National Laundry Company of Scranton as its president. This company was organized in July,

1927, and is located at 100 Elm Street. It makes a specialty of family laundry work and already has a large patronage. The other officers of the company are: Louis P. Combs, secretary; and Frank Derbin, treasurer.

Nathan Jehu, who has served as alderman of the First Ward since 1919, is a highly esteemed and well known man of Scranton. He was born in this city, March 18, 1885, the son of Jehu and Margaret (Marshall) Jehu.

Jehu Jehu was born in Mertha, Wales, and was among the early settlers of Scranton, having located here in 1860. Throughout his business career he was connected with the coal industry. He died in 1919 at the age of 77 years. His wife, also a native of Wales, died in 1913. To Mr. and Mrs. Jehu 13 children were born, two of whom survive: Nathan, the subject of this sketch; and Thomas, who lives at Plymouth, Pa.

Nathan Jehu has always lived in Scranton. After completing his early schooling he attended Woods Business College. He was employed as a clerk by George Griffin for seven years, and spent the following 20 years in the employ of M. J. Cohen. Mr. Jehu was appointed alderman of the First Ward during the administration of Governor Sproul. His present term of office will expire Jan. 2, 1928. He is vice-president of the Magistrates' Association of Pennsylvania.

On Oct. 30, 1907, Mr. Jehu was united in marriage with Miss Margaret May Coleman, of Scranton. They have had two children: Nathaniel, died in infancy; and Leroy, born Oct. 31, 1913.

Mr. Jehu is a Republican. He is a member of the West Market Street Church of Scranton, of which he served as financial secretary for 13 years, and he is also deacon. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Knights of Pythias, Elks Lodge, and Chamber of Commerce.

William Loren Holford, justice of the peace at Blakely, is a prominent young man and a member of one of the county's earliest families. He was born at Peckville, April 23, 1899, and is the son of O. A. and Helen J. (Cozens) Holford.

O. A. Holford, who lives retired at Peckville, is a native of Clifford Township, Lackawanna County, and the son of James Loren Holford, a prominent pioneer of this section. He is deceased, and his widow, now 86 years of age, resides at Peckville. Their son, O. A., is a well known coal operator of Lackawanna County. His wife was born in Wales and is the daughter of William and Maria Cozens, both deceased. The Cozens family is among the oldest of Throop. To O. A. and Helen J. (Cozens) Holford the following children were born: William Loren, the subject of this sketch; Otis Augustus, lives at home; Helen M., married Thomas M. Owens, Jr., lives at Blakely; and Thomas Edwin, a graduate of Blakely High School in the class of 1927. Mr. Holford served as burgess of Peck-

ville for two terms and was a member of the City Council for nine years. He is a member of the Christian Science Church, and his wife holds membership in the Christian Church of Scranton.

William Loren Holford received his education in the public schools of his locality and is a graduate of Blakely High School. For several years he was interested in taxidermy in a non-professional way. He was appointed justice of the peace of Blakely in 1924.

Mr. Holford is widely known throughout Lackawanna County.

Robert Henry Fetridge, managing editor of The Scranton Republican, has held this executive position since 1925, and is recognized as one of the capable young newspaper men of Pennsylvania. He was born at Boston, Mass., Nov. 18, 1896, the son of Henry and Grace (Hill) Fetridge.

Henry Fetridge is a leader in the business life of Boston where he has spent his entire life. He organized the Fetridge Realty Corporation of which he served as president. Later he sold this business and went into newspaper work with Guild A. Copeland, as part owner of the old Boston Advertiser. Mr. Fetridge was appointed police commissioner of Boston in 1901 and served in this capacity until 1904. He has been one of the leading garage owners of Boston for a number of years having owned and operated a chain of 15 garages in the city. He is now retired. He is a Republican, a member of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church and belongs to the Masonic and Elk Lodges. His wife was born in Pasadena, Cal. To Mr. and Mrs. Fetridge were born four children: Helen, married Henry P. Farnhun, a broker, lives in Boston, Mass.; Robert Henry, the subject of this sketch; Arthur E., a graduate of Boston University, journalist; and Dorothy Grace, at home.

Robert Henry Fetridge completed his early schooling in the Boston English High School in 1913, and was graduated from Harvard University in 1917. During the World War he enlisted in the United States Navy and was stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y., and later in the Boston navy yard. He did transport duty between the United States and France during the war period and was discharged in November, 1919, as a gunner's mate. Throughout his college career Mr. Fetridge was interested in writing and began his career as a reporter on the Boston Advertiser while at Harvard. In 1920 he went to Philadelphia as cable editor for the Philadelphia Public Ledger, and six months later returned to Boston where he became assistant to J. T. Williams, Jr., editor of the Boston Transcript. In 1923 he went to Richmond, Ind., as managing editor of the Richmond Item, and resigned in 1925 to accept his present position in Scranton, as managing editor of the Scranton Republican.

In 1925, Mr. Fetridge was married to Miss Frances J. Vandling, a daughter of Col. Frank M. and Helen L. (von Storch) Vandling. They have two children, Sara Jacques, and Robert Henry, Jr.

Colonel Frank M. Vandling was born in Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 28, 1865, the son of John and Sara Jacques Vandling. Col. Vandling, a leader in the business, civic, banking, political and military life of the state, was regarded as a man thoroughly familiar with the Anthracite Industry. For many years he was interested in the Hudson Coal Company and the Von Storch Collieries Company. He was a director of the First National Bank, a member of the city council and Board of Education. In 1893 Mr. Vandling was appointed postmaster by President Cleveland serving for four years. He married Miss Helen J. Vandling, daughter of Theodore Von Storch, a pioneer in the Anthracite Industry. For years Col. Vandling was identified with the Pennsylvania National Guard. He was commissioned a lieutenant in 1898, a captain in 1899 serving as quartermaster of the 13th Regiment until 1906 when he was promoted to the rank of major. Four years later he rose to colonel and was assigned to divisional headquarters. Mr. Vandling died in 1925. He was a Democrat and in 1892 was a delegate to the National convention. Col. Vandling was a member of the Union League and Racquet Club of Philadelphia, and a member of the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, the Elks Lodge, Scranton Club and Scranton Bicycle Club of Scranton.

Politically Mr. Fetridge is a Republican. He is a member of the Episcopal Church, and his wife holds membership in the Presbyterian Church. He belongs to the Elks Lodge, Harvard Club, National Press Club, Boston Press Club, and Chamber of Commerce, Scranton. While a student at Harvard Mr. Fetridge served as an assistant editor of "The Lampoon."

Mortimer Bartine Fuller, president of the International Salt Company, is a leading business man and influential citizen of Scranton, and a member of one of the oldest and best known pioneer families of Lackawanna County. He was born in this city in September, 1877, and is the son of Edward L. and Helen M. (Silkman) Fuller.

The Fuller family dates back in a direct line from one of the Mayflower Pilgrims of 1620. Dr. Edward Fuller and his wife and their son, Samuel, were members of that historical party that landed at Plymouth, Mass. Doctor Fuller and his wife died shortly afterward, but their son reared a family. In the second and third generations the family is found in Connecticut and from there removed to Montrose, Pa., when that section of the country was a wilderness. The great, great, great-grandfather of Mortimer B. Fuller, was Edward Fuller, who married Hannah West, and they had the following children: Charles, Edward, Henry, Isaac, George, Mary L., Elizabeth, and Deborah.

Charles Fuller was born at New London, Conn., Nov. 1, 1797, and died Nov. 29, 1881. In 1806 he removed to Pennsylvania and settled in Bridgewater Township, Luzerne County. In 1817 he opened a drug store at

Wilkes-Barre. Later, he sold his business and engaged in farming, transporting his farm products over the roads by team to Easton, Pa. In 1848 he removed to Scranton and became a bookkeeper for the Scranton & Platt Company. Later, he was identified with the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company. During the latter years of his life he engaged in the insurance business. He married Maria Scoville, of Exeter, Pa. Their children were: James, Edward C., Layton, John, Mary, Catherine, Penelope, Francis, and Endora.

Edward C. Fuller, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born at Wyoming, in Luzerne County, Pa., June 8, 1826. He was a pharmacist and engaged in business with Doctor Throop at Wyoming, Pa. This partnership was dissolved in 1851 and Mr. Fuller then opened a drug store at Hawley, Pa. Later, he retired and removed to Scranton, where he had extensive business interests. In 1860 he was elected school comptroller and in May, 1881, was made postmaster of Scranton, in which capacity he served for many years. He was elected city assessor in 1890. Mr. Fuller married Helen Ruthven, and their children were: Charles R., Edward L., James A., and Harry G.

Edward L. Fuller, father of the subject of this sketch, was a leading figure in the business life of Scranton for many years. He was born at Hawley, Pa., Oct. 7, 1851, and died in 1909. He was at one time one of the largest individual coal operators in the anthracite region, having owned the Mt. Pleasant Colliery at Scranton; the Seneca Coal Company's properties and those of the Newton Coal Mining Company; the old Forge Mining Company at Pittston, Pa.; and the Girard Coal Company at Mt. Carmel, Pa. He was largely interested in railway affairs and organized the Fuller Syndicate, which secured control of the Western Maryland Railroad and the West Virginia & Pittsburgh Railroad, he being a director of both these companies. Mr. Fuller was president of the Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Company; president of the Empire Limestone Company of Buffalo, N. Y.; president of the Retsof Mining Company; president of the Avery Rock Salt Mining Company; and president of the International Salt Company. He took a deep interest in Scranton and contributed widely to the advancement of those interests which make for healthful social conditions. He was a generous contributor of the State Hospital of Scranton, formerly the Lackawanna Hospital, and he was president of its executive board and treasurer of its board of trustees. He served as president of the board of trustees of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Fuller was a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, and belonged to the Society of American Engineers, Transportation Club of New York, Union League of New York, the Lawyers Club of New York, the City Mid-day Club of New York, the Scranton Club, and the Country Club of Scranton.

Mr. Fuller married Miss Helen M. Silkman, the daughter of Daniel Silkman of Scranton, and they had only one child, Mortimer Bartine, the subject of this sketch.

Mortimer Bartine Fuller received his education in the private school of Dr. T. M. Cann in Scranton, and later attended Lawrenceville (N. J.) School. He was graduated from Princeton University in 1899 and immediately became identified with his father's various business interests in Scranton. He succeeded his father as president of the International Salt Company in 1909 and he is also identified with the following interests: President of the Empire Limestone Company, of Buffalo, N. Y.; president of the Genessee & Wyoming Railroad Company; a director of the Marine Trust Company, of Buffalo, N. Y.; a director of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank of Scranton; president of the Central State Bank of Dalton, Pa.; a director of the Scranton Life Insurance Company; and a director of the Blooming Grove Hunting & Fishing Club.

In February, 1904, Mr. Fuller was married to Miss Kathryn Steel, and they have three sons: Edward Layton, Mortimer Bartine, Jr., and Henry.

Mr. Fuller is a Republican and was a delegate to the National Convention in Chicago, which nominated Warren G. Harding for president. While president of the United States, Mr. Harding was entertained at the estate of Mr. Fuller in Sea Breeze, Fla.

Mr. Fuller is a trustee of the Second Presbyterian Church, and a director of the Y. M. C. A., Scranton Club, and Country Club of Scranton. He is a member of the Railroad Club of New York, the Union Club of New York, the Princeton Club of New York, the New York Yacht Club, the Buffalo Club, the Nassau Club of Princeton, the Tiger Inn Club of Princeton, the New England Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania Club of New York.

The Pine Brook Bank ranks high among the safe, sound and secure banking institutions of Scranton. It was established Dec. 10, 1910, and during its years of service in the community has established itself as a representative bank for all the people.

Its conservative beginning and steady growth are illustrated by the following statement:

	Deposits	Resources
Dec. 1, 1910	\$ 42,276.86	\$ 74,194.33
Dec. 31, 1910	49,972.64	84,324.82
Dec. 31, 1915	143,004.97	206,804.77
Dec. 31, 1920	395,814.77	462,912.59
Dec. 31, 1925	722,730.66	810,023.32
Dec. 31, 1926	833,313.40	942,813.69

The officers of The Pine Brook Bank are: W. R. Roper, president; James D. Jordan, vice president and counsellor; D. G. Davis, vice president; James O'Connor, secretary; and John A. Madden, cashier. The directors are: John W. Baker, John A. Banick, Henry T. Beilman, D. G.

Davis, Jacob Eckersley, Robert J. Haag, James D. Jordan, Joseph P. Jordan, Frank G. Langan, Peter J. Lynn, James O'Connor, W. R. Roper, M. M. Ruddy, John Selepak, and Joseph F. Weir.

The bank is located in its own building at 832 Capouse Avenue, and is one of the modern banking houses of the city.

John D. Hinton is a highly esteemed citizen and widely known business man of Scranton, where he is identified with the David Spruks Company as treasurer and general manager. He was born at Utica, N. Y., Sept. 19, 1878, and is the son of Martin and Rose (Daly) Hinton.

John D. Hinton spent his boyhood at Utica and received his education in the schools there. He began his business career in the retail grocery line and in 1900 removed to Scranton, where he served as a salesman for David Spruks, a wholesale grocer. He continued in this capacity until 1909, at which time he became a partner in the business. In 1917 it was incorporated as the David Spruks Company, and Mr. Hinton was elected treasurer and general manager.

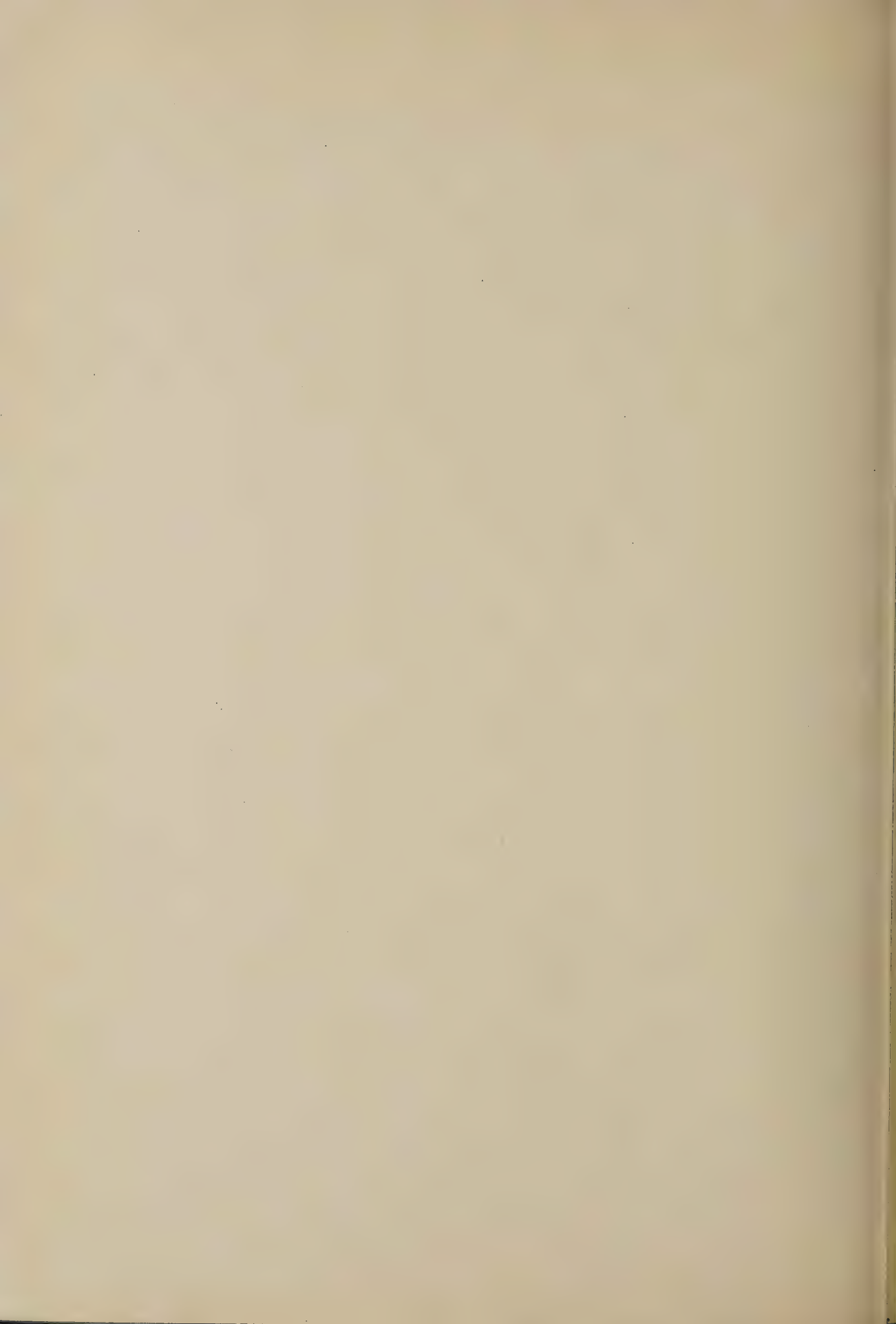
In 1907 Mr. Hinton was united in marriage with Miss Sarah Noone, the daughter of Timothy and Catherine Noone, both deceased. They have four children: Thomas, attends St. Thomas College; John D. Jr., David S., and Mary Josephine, all at home.

Mr. Hinton has always been a Democrat. He holds membership in St. Peter's Cathedral, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree assembly. He also belongs to the Equity Club, Abington Hills Country Club, Irish American Society, Elks Lodge, the Holy Name Society, and the Rotary Club. He has served as president of the Scranton Association of Credit Men and takes an active interest in all civic affairs. He is president of the St. Peter's Conference, St. Vincent de Paul Society. After the close of the World War Mr. Hinton was chairman of the Knights of Columbus Employment Committee and was instrumental in placing about 1,900 discharged soldiers in positions.

John Memolo.—In the varied activities with which John Memolo has been associated in law practice and in general court matters, from court interpreter to the direction of his own law interests, with his offices in the Lincoln Trust Building, at Scranton, he has exhibited great capabilities, and today holds a place as one of the highly regarded attorneys in the county. From the outset he has devoted himself to the best interests of his profession, and as assistant district attorney he gave added proofs of his thoroughness in legal and clerical matters. He was the first practicing lawyer of Italian descent in Northeastern Pennsylvania, and one of the first attorneys to take the examination under rules promulgated by the Supreme Court of the State providing for preliminary and final examinations under its supervision. He is a son of Joseph Memolo, a farmer, who



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was born near Avellina, Italy, and died in 1889, and of Lucille (Menichiello) Memolo, who died in 1914.

John Memolo was born June 3, 1885, in Schenectady, N. Y. He attended the public schools of Oldforge, Pa., and afterwards graduated at St. Thomas' College, Scranton, with the class of 1904, and with his degree of Bachelor of Science. He made preparation for his profession at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., and Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle, Pa., and he was admitted to the bar in 1909. That year he began the practice of his profession in Scranton, under his own name. From 1907 to 1909 his valued services were made use of as court interpreter for Lackawanna County; and from 1922 to the present time he has fulfilled the duties of assistant district attorney under H. A. Scragg. With his offices in the Lincoln Trust Building, he practices in all the courts.

Mr. Memolo is a Republican in politics. During the World War he was one of the "four-minute" speakers in this district, and he was engaged in questionnaire work. His fraternal affiliations are those of Lodge No. 123, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Knights of Columbus. He is a communicant of St. Peter's Cathedral.

John Memolo married, in 1909, Grace Sweigert, of Cumberland County, daughter of George and Mary Sweigert, and they are the parents of four children: (1.) Mary, born Feb. 21, 1910. (2.) Lucille, born April 9, 1911. (3.) Martin, born Sept. 4, 1912. (4.) John, born March 13, 1914.

Lieutenant Colonel Laurence H. Watres.—One of the prominent citizens and able attorneys of Scranton, Laurence H. Watres represents one of the highly respected families of Lackawanna County. He was born in this city, July 18, 1882, and is a son of Col. Louis Arthur Watres, a complete sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history.

Laurence H. Watres received his primary education in the public schools of Scranton, after which he became a student at Hill School, Pottstown, Pa. He then spent 14 months in Europe traveling with his parents, after which he entered Princeton University, from which he was graduated in 1904. He completed the law course at Harvard University in 1907, and in that year was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. He then opened his own offices in Scranton, where he has continued in practice to the present time. He is identified with the Lackawanna, Pennsylvania State, and American Bar Associations, and practices in the Supreme, Federal and Superior courts. In 1922 he was elected to the Sixty-eighth congress over Patrick McLane; re-elected to the Sixty-ninth congress in 1924, over David Fowler; and re-elected to the Seventieth congress in 1926, over Attorney Joseph Walsh.

Lieutenant Colonel Watres has had a most colorful military career. On Oct. 21, 1907, he enlisted as a private in the 13th Regiment of Infantry, Pennsylvania National Guard. He was promoted from the ranks to captain of Company C, and served on the Texas border in 1916. The follow-

ing year at Camp Augusta, Ga., he was assigned as captain of Company M, 109th Infantry, 28th Division, and later transferred to Company B, 108th Machine Gun Battalion, 28th Division. He served with this outfit throughout the World War and was wounded at the Battle of the Vesle River, on Sept. 6, 1918. He was cited for bravery by an order from General Headquarters, A. E. F., and while in the hospital received his commission as Major. Upon his return to the field he was placed in command of the 101st Machine Gun Battalion, 26th Division, and was later transferred to the 108th Machine Gun Battalion, 28th Division. He was discharged with this battalion on May 28, 1919. Upon the reorganization of the 13th Regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania, he was appointed by Governor Sproul as its Lieutenant Colonel. This is now the 109th Regiment, P. N. G.

Lieutenant Colonel Watres is a member of the First Church of Christ Scientist, and for three years served as a reader. He has also been in charge of the Boys' Sunday School classes.

Lieutenant Colonel Watres is a Republican.

Thomas A. Quinlan, a veteran of the World War, in which he was wounded and disabled, is a native son of Scranton, a veteran of the National sport of baseball, and since his partial rehabilitation has performed the duties of county commissioner of Lackawanna County.

Mr. Quinlan was born in Scranton, Oct. 21, 1887, son of Michael J. and Mary (Evers) Quinlan. Both parents were born in Ireland, and his father was a mill worker in the Scranton district for many years. He died in 1890 and his wife in 1923.

Thomas A. Quinlan had a common school education. As a youth he adopted baseball as a profession. He started in the Pennsylvania league as a pitcher. He was sold to the St. Louis Americans for \$5,000, sold by that club to Oakland, California, in the Pacific Coast League, as an outfielder, and returned to the big league with the Chicago White Sox. He was again sold to the Salt Lake City team, then played in the American Association with the Columbus team, and was again with the Chicago-Americans up to the time of the World War. "Finners," as Mr. Quinlan was known in major baseball, in 1917 took a position in the shipyards, and was placed in the deferred class in the draft as a result. He, however, was not one of those who coveted the deferred classification, and asked to be moved up. His request was granted and he trained at Camp Lee, Va. He went overseas as a member of Company K, 28th Regiment, First Division, American Expeditionary Forces. On Nov. 9, 1918, he was in battle of Argonne and during this drive was severely wounded, losing the sight of one eye and his left arm. He says: "I lasted only one inning in the big game, but I'll say I got a lot of action out of it." He walked four miles to a first aid station after being wounded, with the side of his face all torn open and one eye out, and his left arm hanging on to his shoulder. He spent a number of months in military hospitals, and after

recovering some ability for a life of independent usefulness has lived at Scranton. He succeeded P. J. Boland as Lackawanna County Commissioner and is now serving his second term in that office at the court house. He is a Democrat; is a member of the Disabled Veterans' Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars; a very active worker in the American Legion; and is affiliated with Lodge No. 123, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Aerie No. 314, Fraternal Order of Eagles; and is a member of the Irish-American Club and the Maennerchor Club. He was reared in the Catholic faith.

Mr. Quinlan married, in 1921, Miss Louise Leyh, of Scranton, a daughter of Adam and Lena Leyh.

John Greiner, Jr., treasurer of the Lackawanna Trust Company, was born and grew up in Scranton, educated and fitted himself for a career of usefulness, and has been identified with many phases of the city's growth and development not only as a financial and industrial, but as a civic and religious center.

Mr. Greiner was born at the home of his parents at No. 1015 South Washington Avenue in Scranton, March 20, 1884, son of John and Sophia (Franz) Greiner, both natives of Germany. His father was a mill worker. He died in 1907, and the mother passed away in 1919.

John Greiner, Jr., attended public schools, graduating from the Scranton High School in 1900, and finished a six months course in the Scranton Business College. In 1901 he entered the service of the Lackawanna Trust Company, as general clerk and stenographer, and while working there fitted himself for additional responsibilities by completing a two-year course with the Scranton Chapter of the American Institute of Banking. His abilities won him steady promotion, and in October, 1920, he was elected treasurer of the trust company as successor to George C. Nye.

Mr. Greiner, during the World War, served on various boards and committees, was a "four-minute" speaker, and then and since has been identified with other organized movements for the welfare of the city.

Mr. Greiner is one of the prominent Lutheran laymen in Pennsylvania. At a recent convention in Lancaster, he was reelected president of the Luther League of Pennsylvania, and is now secretary of the Finance Committee of the Luther League of America, and for 15 years has regularly been a delegate to national and state conventions. He is a member of the Executive Board of the Lutheran Layman's Movement. He is a member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at Scranton. Mr. Greiner is a Republican, is affiliated with the Patriotic Order of Sons of America and Knights of Pythias; and is a member of the Country Club of Scranton and the Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Greiner married, in 1906, Bertha A. Steffen, of Dunmore, Pa., daughter of Rudolph and Franciska (Fetzer) Steffen.

George E. Stevenson.—Among civil and mining engineers, George E. Stevenson, of the firm of Stevenson & Knight, of Scranton, Pa., holds a conspicuous position, both because of his high standing in his profession and the prominence of the firm of which he is senior member. He has had a wide experience in his calling. Mr. Stevenson's father was born in Hunterdon County, N. J., though a descendant of the Pennsylvania Quakers. The original Thomas Stevenson was a Scotch-English immigrant of 1640, whose ancestry traces to the Province of Steventon, in the lowlands of Scotland. Mr. Stevenson's mother was a granddaughter of Stephen Parker, one of the early settlers of Abington, Lackawanna County. His mother, now in her 92nd year, occupies the house in Abington in which she was born, and a portion of the original land cleared by Stephen Parker from the wilderness is in possession and owned by Mr. Stevenson's mother.

George E. Stevenson was born in Danville, Montour County, Pa., March 30, 1860, and spent his boyhood on the old farm in Abington. He secured his early education preparatory to his entrance to Cornell University in the public school at Clark's Green, though he spent a year in a boarding school in Litchfield County, Conn., known as "The Gunnery," in a little town called Washington. His father, Samuel Stevenson, was a civil and mining engineer, having been employed in the construction of the original line of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, and by acting as his father's assistant in his youth, Mr. Stevenson acquired a vast fund of practical knowledge that has been of the greatest value to him in his business life. In this manner he received instruction that it would have been almost impossible to have secured elsewhere, as the patience and interest of a father's instruction cannot be matched by that of a paid teacher. Young Mr. Stevenson then entered Cornell University and remained in that institution two years, a student of agriculture.

Following the two years at Cornell, Mr. Stevenson assisted his father in the building of the Storrs branch of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, and also in the construction of the Pancoast Colliery and the opening of the mines at Throop, Pa. He was next employed by the Pennsylvania Coal Company in planning for the change of the old Pennsylvania Gravity Railroad between Pittston and Hawley to the steam road known as the Erie & Wyoming Valley. During the interval between the preliminary surveys for this change and the beginning of construction, Mr. Stevenson spent some time in Arkansas in the line of his occupation. Returning from Arkansas, he was again employed in the beginning of construction work of the Erie & Wyoming Valley, but before its completion the death of his father necessitated his taking charge of the farm in Abington.

For a few years Mr. Stevenson devoted his attention to the operation of his mother's farm, upon which his father had set out an orchard that was at the date of planning the most extensive apple orchard in the State of Pennsylvania. Farming, however, did not prove as profitable as engineering, did not yield sufficient money to supply the needs of an increasing

family, and again Mr. Stevenson took up land surveying and engineering, doing local work and being employed in the building of the Scranton branch of the Ontario & Western Railroad at Hancock, N. Y. The family, however, remained on the farm and Mr. Stevenson again returned from railroad building to take up farming and local surveying and engineering, and finally, in 1892, opened an office in the city of Scranton. The business of surveying and engineering gradually increased until in 1897 he entered into partnership with Myron S. Knight, and this partnership continues to the present time, with offices at Nos. 725-6-7-8 Connell Building, Scranton, Pa., for the past 25 years, where they transact a large and lucrative business. The firm has gained a reputation for honorable and upright dealing, its name in connection with any operation being ample assurance that the work will be carried to completion with conscientious and able supervision. During the partnership, the work of the firm has taken either Mr. Stevenson or Mr. Knight practically all over the United States, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and into Canada on the north and Mexico on the south. The firm made the first survey for the Northern Electric Street Railway, later the Scranton & Binghamton.

Mr. Stevenson also served one term as county surveyor of the County of Lackawanna, during which time he introduced solid concrete floored bridges all over the county and the low-riveted truss bridge with the solid concrete floor, many of which have been built in more recent years.

During all these years Mr. Stevenson kept up his interest in the farm and developed the original herd of hornless pure-bred Holsteins, among them the cow that still holds the world's record, strictly official, for one year as a senior four-year-old, and the world's record for two full years' production under full age, an average of 1,203 pounds of butter as a three-year-old, and as four-year-old 1,294.7 pounds. In addition to breeding these Holsteins, naturally hornless, he has been enabled to breed a strain that also combines the faculty of producing milk much higher in fat than the average Holstein herd, now averaging upwards of four per cent throughout the year. He served as vice-president of the National Holstein Friesian Association of America in the year 1921-1922, and for several years was president of the State Holstein Friesian Association of America.

Mr. Stevenson was appointed by Governor Brumbaugh as a member of the District Draft Board during the World War, and served the better part of two years at considerable sacrifice in earning capacity for himself and partner before resigning.

In 1884 Mr. Stevenson married Emily Miller, a grand-daughter of Rev. John Miller, a pioneer Baptist minister of Abington and founder of the Abington Baptist Association and Church. The result of his marriage was eight children—six boys and two girls—all having reached their maturity. Four of the sons enlisted in the World War, the oldest being J. M., first lieutenant of the Engineers; second, H. F., member of Company A, 318th Engineers, 6th Division, who spent 13 months in service in France and Germany; third, E. W., enlisted in the Ambulance Service,

Section 581, and served with the French Army for 18 months; fourth, G. W., who was trained in Florida in the Naval Aviation, and commissioned as ensign and pilot, but received an injury in training, which later resulted in his death, in 1921. The other two sons adopted farming and dairying as their occupation, and are still following it.

Mr. Stevenson is a member and past president of the Engineering Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and at present is a member of the Legislative Committee of the organization. He has been very active in opposing the registration and licensing of engineers under an act passed by the Legislature of Pennsylvania in 1921, which Judge Schull, of Monroe County, declared unconstitutional in an action started by Mr. Stevenson and which the Legislature, both Senate and House, of 1923, repealed by an overwhelming majority only to have the repealer vetoed by Governor Pinchot twelve days after the session closed with no opportunity to pass it over his veto. Again in the Senate of 1924 the repeal was introduced, which, after a hearing of the Judiciary General Committee of the Senate, was passed by a large majority, due to the efforts of Mr. Stevenson, and is now pending in the House—having passed first and second reading. A further test of the constitutionality of the act on rule to show cause why the Board should not cease to issue licenses under an unconstitutional act is now pending before the court of Lackawanna County. Mr. Stevenson is also a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

The business of the engineering firm of which Mr. Stevenson is the senior member is constantly growing and increasing in volume and the firm is still doing work for many of the same people who employed them at the beginning of their partnership. In spite of his professional duties and his agricultural experiments he still finds time to fulfill the many duties of good citizenship, and is highly esteemed both in business and private life.

Reinhard Karl Schoenfeld, mortician, ranks high among the leading young business men of Scranton, where he has spent his entire life. He was born in this city, April 18, 1893, and is the son of William Carl and Elizabeth Catherine (Koch) Schoenfeld.

William Carl Schoenfeld was born in Scranton, Oct. 7, 1858. He has always lived in this city, where he succeeded his father in business as an undertaker. He was always associated with this profession until his retirement in 1925. On Sept. 15, 1891, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Catherine Koch, who was born April 16, 1867, the daughter of John Henry and Anna E. Koch. John Henry Koch was born in Germany, Oct. 18, 1835, and in 1855 emigrated to the United States and settled at Hyde Park, in Scranton. He was employed in the local car shops and later was proprietor of a hotel on Franklin Avenue. He then removed to Olyphant, Pa., where he owned and operated a hotel for 18 years. Later, he came to Scranton and engaged in the hotel business here for many years. Both he and his wife are deceased. To William Carl and Elizabeth Catherine

(Koch) Schoenfeld the following children were born: Reinhard Karl, the subject of this sketch; Karl William, lives at Scranton, married Alvina Mueller, and they have a daughter, Elenore; and Kenneth, born Jan. 7, 1900, lives at Scranton, married Martha Smith.

William Carl Schoenfeld is the son of Reinhard and Barbara (Swartz) Schoenfeld. He was born at Weisbaden, Nassau, Germany, Jan. 13, 1835, the son of George William Schoenfeld. He was nine years of age when he was left an orphan and in 1853 he came to this country, making the voyage in a sailing vessel. He settled at Honesdale, Pa., and for a time was employed by the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company, and later as a wheelwright. He came to Scranton in 1855 and was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad for 13 years. In 1868 he engaged in business for himself and established a provision store on Cedar Avenue. Later he worked at the carpenter trade. In 1869 Mr. Schoenfeld founded the well known funeral establishment in Scranton, which is now successfully conducted by his grandson, Reinhard Karl Schoenfeld. The first location of the funeral home was on Pennsylvania Avenue. Mr. Schoenfeld retired from business in 1910 and died April 11, 1915. His wife died Nov. 7, 1911. Both are buried at Dunmore, Pa. To Reinhard and Barbara (Swartz) Schoenfeld three children were born: William Carl, father of the subject of this sketch; Amelia, deceased, was the wife of Mr. Wenzel; and Mary, who died at the age of 26 years.

Reinhard Karl Schoenfeld received his education in the public schools of Scranton, and attended the technical high school. He was graduated from the Renoward School of Embalming in February, 1914, and spent the following six months in Bellevue Hospital, New York City, where he took special work. In June, 1914, he passed the Pennsylvania State Board of Undertakers and was licensed to practice embalming. The following year he came to Scranton, and has since been identified with the business. He has been sole owner of the establishment since 1925, at which time his father retired. It is one of the up-to-date funeral homes of the city and renders efficient and courteous service.

In 1914 Mr. Schoenfeld was married to Miss Elizabeth Ruegg, the daughter of Robert and Elise (Weber) Ruegg, natives of Switzerland and residents of Jersey City, N. J., where Mr. Ruegg is connected with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Schoenfeld have a daughter, Daurice Elaine.

Mr. Schoenfeld is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and is affiliated with the following lodges: Schiller Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 345; Lackawanna Chapter R. A. M., No. 185; Lackawanna Council R. & S. M. M., No. 44; Melita Commandery K. T. No. 68; Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre; Tall Cedars of Lebanon; and Irem Country Club. He is a member of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce and belongs to the Lackawanna County Undertakers Association and the Lackawanna Kennel Club. Mr. Schoenfeld is accounted one of the reliable business men of Scranton and has a wide acquaintance.

Rollo G. Jermyn.—One of the leading citizens of Scranton is Rollo G. Jermyn, retired, who is a scion of an old and honored Pennsylvania family. He was born at Jermyn, in Lackawanna County, March 3, 1873, and is the son of John and Susan (Knight) Jermyn.

A complete history of the life of John Jermyn appears elsewhere in this history.

After completing his early schooling in Jermyn and Scranton, Rollo G. Jermyn attended St. Paul's School at Garden City, L. I., from which he was graduated in 1892. He then became associated with his father's various business interests in Scranton as assistant in charge of real estate. One year later he took charge of the Oswego Boiler Works, which were part of the Jermyn holdings until 1903. Mr. Jermyn then operated an independent telephone line in Syracuse, N. Y., which was owned by his brother, Joseph J. Jermyn. In 1904 he returned to Scranton, where he purchased a half interest in the mercantile business of his brother, George B. Jermyn, at Rendham, Pa. In 1909 he became treasurer of the Jermyn Hotel, which was part of the family estate in Scranton, and he continued in this capacity until 1923, at which time the hotel was sold. Mr. Jermyn has since lived retired.

Mr. Jermyn was married to Miss Kate Jay, the daughter of Douglas Jay, of Scranton. They have a son, Rollo G., II.

Mr. Jermyn holds membership in the Masonic Lodge, Elks Lodge, Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, and Canoe Club of Scranton. He is a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

M. S. Knight.—The history of the Knight family carries back to the early Colonial days in New England. John Knight, of Newbury, Mass., came from Southampton, England, in 1635. His son, John England Knight, in 1647, married Bathshua Ingersoll, of Salem. Their son, John Knight, married Rebecca Noyes, daughter of Rev. James Noyes, in 1672. Their son, Asa Knight, had a son, Samuel Knight, who married Providence Bennett (the Bennetts of the Wyoming Massacre). Their children were Nicholas, Joshua, Thomas and Samuel.

Nicholas Knight married Elizabeth Case, Oct. 2, 1781. They lived in Orange County, New York. They had 11 children, the eighth being Benjamin. Benjamin Knight, born in Goshen, Orange County, N. Y., Dec. 10, 1797, married Mrs. White, a widow, whose maiden name was Mercy Rose. They moved from Orange County, N. Y., to Abington, Pa., in 1832, where they settled on a large tract of mostly new land near Wellsville. They had four children: Jeremiah D., George B., Elizabeth and Emeline.

Jeremiah D. Knight, born July 15, 1826, married (first) Delilah Ann Parker, Dec. 27, 1856. The ancestors of Delilah Ann Parker can be traced back for eight generations to Samuel Gorton, who came from England in 1636. In 1651-52, he was president of Providence and Warwick, Rhode Island. In 1856, Jeremiah D. Knight bought the farm at Wallsville from



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his father, at which place his three children, Elmer Wilmot, Myron Stephen, and Charles Bennett, were born. The mother died soon after the birth of Charles Bennett, Nov. 23, 1865. Jeremiah D., or Jerry Knight (as he was called), in 1868, married (second) Emily A. Clark, and soon after moved to Clarks Green. He was a farmer on an extensive scale, raised fancy stock, was a lover of fine horses, and shipped cattle, sheep and hogs from Chicago and Buffalo and sold at wholesale. He died April 25, 1903.

M. S. Knight was born in North Abington about 12 miles north of Scranton, Pa., June 3, 1861. He was educated in the public schools, Keystone Academy, and under private tutors. From the age of 18 to 21 he had charge of two large dairy and stock farms owned by his father in North Abington and Clarks Green. In his twenty-first year he started engineering in the location and construction of the Storrs Branch, built by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western mining department. From 1882 to 1888 he was employed by the Erie Railroad in the location and construction of the Erie and Wyoming Valley Railroad and its various mine branches. In 1889 he formed a partnership with his brother in the wholesale grain and produce business. It took but one year, however, to ascertain that he was not cut out for a merchant, so he returned to engineering in 1890 on the location and construction of the Scranton Branch of the Ontario & Western Railroad, running from Hancock, N. Y., to Scranton, Pa., having charge of the middle division and the construction of the bridge over the Delaware River and several other smaller viaducts and bridges.

In 1892-1893 he was engaged in the capacity of division engineer in the location and construction of the Wilkes-Barre and Eastern Railroad, extending from Stroudsburg to Wilkes-Barre. In 1894-1895 he was engaged as division engineer on the location and construction of a railroad extending from Fort Plain to Richfield Springs, N. Y. The company failed before the road was completed. In 1896-1897 he was engaged in the mining department of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company. In 1900-01 he was with the Granite Wall Plaster Company, of which he was a director and treasurer, and the U. S. Gypsum Company, erecting new plaster plants, rebuilding calcining plants and opening up gypsum mines—succeeding during this time by new methods of doubling the capacity of calcining plants and reducing the cost of production very materially. From 1894 to 1904 he held the office of borough engineer of the borough of Dunmore, during which time he made plans for a sewer system covering the entire borough. On April 1, 1897, he entered into partnership with George E. Stevenson, of Waverly, Pa., forming the firm of Stevenson & Knight, consulting, civil and mining engineers, Nos. 725-26-27-28 Connell Building, Scranton. This firm has constantly progressed until today they probably have the largest general engineering and consulting practice of any firm of the kind in the state, and have an enviable reputation for business, skill and integrity.

M. S. Knight is a member of the Presbyterian Church of Dunmore, and the New England Society. He is a 32nd degree Mason, a Shriner and

an Elk. He is a life-member of the Scranton Club, a member of the Scranton Country Club, the Irem Country Club, the Engineers' Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the American Institute of Mining Engineers, the Motor Club, and the Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Knight married, Jan. 23, 1889, Linda Styles Fowler, born Sept. 1, 1868, daughter of Prof. Leroy R. and Lamira Fowler. Children: Leroy F., born Aug. 26, 1895; and Gladys D., born Aug. 18, 1901. The family home is at No. 1629 Monroe Avenue, Scranton.

Leroy F. Knight, after three years at Lehigh University, enlisted in the Ambulance Corps of the 72nd New York Division, going to the front in France and Belgium, where he remained until the Armistice was signed, when he returned to this country, honorably discharged. He then completed his course of mining engineering in Lehigh University and was graduated. During the succeeding year he was in his father's office at Scranton, then went to the Belgian Congo, in Africa, where he was engaged as engineer in charge of diamond mines. He returned in October, 1924, and after spending six months again in the offices of Stevenson & Knight, he returned to the diamond fields of West Central Africa, as assistant manager of the diamond mines, with headquarters at Dundu, Angola, March 21, 1925.

Gladys D. Knight, the second child of Mr. and Mrs. Knight, completed her education at Mrs. Dow's School at Briarcliff, N. Y., and has spent much time abroad. In May, 1924, she was married to Paul R. Scheerer, of East Orange, N. J., where they now reside, he being at the head of one of the large industrial plants of Northern New Jersey.

William T. Spruks is among the leading business men of Scranton, where he is identified with the W. T. Spruks Engineering and Construction Company. He was born in this city, Oct. 14, 1886, and is the son of Thomas H. and Onnie (Kilcoine) Spruks.

Thomas H. Spruks was born at Staten Island, N. Y., July 9, 1854, and died in October, 1909. His wife was a native of Wayne County, Pa., and died in April, 1907. Both are buried at Dunmore, Pa. Mr. Spruks began life as a carpenter, and spent his boyhood on his father's farm. He came to Scranton about 1885 and became interested in the contracting business. Four years later he founded the Spruks Brothers Lumber Company in partnership with his brothers, Henry, Steven and Charles Spruks. He was thus actively engaged until the time of his death. Mr. Spruks was a member of the Methodist Church. There were two children born to Mr. and Mrs. Spruks: William T., the subject of this sketch; and Romaine H., deceased.

William T. Spruks received his education in the public schools of Scranton. He was associated in the lumber business with his father until 1907, at which time he founded the Meadow Brook Lumber Company. He disposed of this business in 1912 and was identified with the Gaylord Engi-

neering and Construction Company as treasurer until 1918, when he purchased the entire stock of the company and reorganized the firm, which was then known as the Spruks Company. In 1922 Mr. Spruks established the W. T. Spruks Engineering and Construction Company, which is located at 1301 Ridge Row. The following construction jobs were successfully handled by the company: The gun cotton and smokeless powder plant for the British Chemical Company, at Trenton, Ontario, Canada; a gun cotton plant for the Atlas Nitrate Products Company of Pottsville, Pa.; the cantonment, sewerage disposal system and water works at Fort Benjamin Harrison, in Indiana; fifteen miles of state road for the State of Indiana; Garrison Run sewerage disposal system for the city of Erie; a power plant and high pressure steam transmission line for the Harleigh Brook Coal Co., of Frackville, Pa.; a heating and ventilating plant for the Hudson River State Hospital of New York State; power plant and high pressure steam transmission line for Madera Hill Coal Company, Gerardville, Pa.; heating, ventilation and power plant, State Hospital, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; erection and complete installation for American Color Company, Scranton, Pa.; erection and complete installation of factory building for the Empire Silk Mill Company, Scranton, Pa.; coal stripping and mining for the Hudson Coal Company from 1914 until 1924 at a cost of a million dollars; ten miles of highway in Center County, Pa.; fourteen miles of the Lackawanna Trail for the Pennsylvania State Highway; the excavating and electric work for the Scranton Times Building in Scranton.

In 1909 Mr. Spruks was united in marriage with Miss Irene Isabel Moses, the daughter of Edmund B. and Priscilla (Jones) Moses, both deceased. Mr. Moses was a native of Wales and for years a leading mine contractor in Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Spruks have no children.

In politics Mr. Spruks is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and 32nd degree Mason, and a member of Irem Temple and the Scranton Lodge of Elks.

Matthew D. Mackie, III, is a veteran of the World War, and a prominent young attorney of Scranton. He was born at Olyphant, Pa., Nov. 7, 1897, and is the son of Matthew II and Alice (Mannear) Mackie.

Matthew Mackie II, who is successfully engaged in the general merchandise business at Olyphant, is a native of Scotland. He was six months old when his parents, Matthew and Elizabeth (Pringle) Mackie, came to the United States, and settled at Providence, Pa. For many years Mr. Mackie was identified with the Leggit Creek Coal Company, and his son, Matthew, spent his early life at Providence. He learned the plumbing trade and in 1897 went to Olyphant, where he conducted a plumbing shop until 1917. He has since been interested in the dry goods business at that place. His wife was born near Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Mr. Mackie is a Republican, a member of the Christian Science Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge. To Mr. and Mrs. Mackie two children were born: Matthew

D., the subject of this sketch; and Pringle, who was graduated from Syracuse University in 1926, now engaged in the millinery business at Olyphant, Pa.

Matthew D. Mackie, III, received his early education in the public schools of Olyphant, and in 1916 was graduated from Blakely High School. He received his degree from the Dickinson College of Law in 1920 and two years later was admitted to the Lackawanna County Bar. He has also been admitted to the United States District Court, the Superior Court, and the Orphans Court. In 1920 Mr. Mackie became identified with the Scranton Trust Company and the following year went with the International Correspondence School.

In 1918 Mr. Mackie enlisted in the Student Army Training Corps at Dickinson College, from which he was discharged Dec. 14, 1918.

In 1926 Mr. Mackie was married to Miss Evalyn Hendrickson, the daughter of F. F. and Mae Hendrickson.

Mr. Mackie is a Republican, a member of the Christian Science Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Lions Club, Green Ridge Club, American Legion, and Delta Theta Phi fraternity.

George S. Mott, Jr., president of R. A. Blackwood & Company, is a leading young business man of Scranton, and a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, August 11, 1895, the son of George S. and Adeline B. (Miller) Mott.

George S. Mott, Sr., is a representative citizen of Scranton, where he has spent the greater part of his life. He was born at Fairfield, Conn., in 1866, and for a number of years was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad in the chief clerk's office. He was later transferred to Kingsland, N. J., as chief clerk. After his arrival in Scranton, Mr. Mott entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Central Brewing Company, and is still identified with that concern as cashier and assistant treasurer. Mr. Mott is a Republican, a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge. Adeline B. (Miller) Mott was born in Scranton and died in 1917. She is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Mott were the parents of three children: George S., Jr., the subject of this sketch; Winifred M., married William F. Halstead, a sketch of whom appears in this history; and Janet E., who lives at home.

George S. Mott, Jr., spent his boyhood in Scranton and attended Scranton High School. He is a graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy and Lafayette College. During the World War he entered the Second Officers Training Camp at Fort Niagara, N. Y., where he received a commission of first lieutenant. He was then transferred to Camp Upton, N. Y., and assigned to Company B, 307th Infantry, 77th Division. He was later transferred to the 152nd Depot Brigade, and did duty between New York City and Camp Upton. He was then made camp supply officer and was later appointed as a member of the discharging staff at Camp Upton. He

was discharged April 1, 1919. After his return to Scranton, Mr. Mott entered the insurance business as a salesman for J. F. Broadbent & Company, and later was with the Morse Advertising Company, Scranton. From 1922 until 1925, he was connected with the Pittsburgh and Ohio Mining Company, and in that year, in partnership with William F. Halstead, he purchased the R. A. Blackwood Drilling Company and was made president. This company specializes in the drilling of test holes and water holes for coal companies.

On Oct. 16, 1920, Mr. Mott was united in marriage with Miss Mary Dale, the daughter of H. G. and Eleanor (Oliver) Dale. Mr. Dale is a prosperous merchant of Scranton, engaged in the jewelry business at 215 Wyoming Avenue. His wife is deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Mott have been born three children: James S., George S., III, and Sally.

Politically Mr. Mott is a Republican. He holds membership in St. Luke's Episcopal Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Waverly Country Club, Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, and Zeta Psi fraternity.

Richard V. James is a substantial and widely known citizen of Scranton, where he is superintendent of highways and sewers. He was born at Beaver Meadow, in Carbon County, Pa., Sept. 16, 1878, the son of Richard and Leah (Vaughan) James.

Richard James was born in Wales in 1840 and came to the United States in 1843 with an uncle, Jenkins James, who became a leading mine contractor of Pennsylvania. They came by canal to Mauchunk, Pa., and from there went to Wadesville, Schuylkill County, by foot, where they settled in 1847. Richard James attended the pioneer schools and worked in the mines in his uncle's employ. He also became an operator and developed some of the largest coal fields of Pennsylvania. He made several trips to Alaska during the gold rush, and in 1896 removed to Scranton, where he lived retired until the time of his death, which occurred several years later. He was a Republican and a member of the Congregational Church. His wife, a native of Luzerne County, Pa., is also deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. James the following children were born: Richard V., the subject of this sketch; Winifred, married E. J. Reese, lives at Scranton; J. W., lives at Scranton; Catherine, lives at Scranton; Thomas, lives at Columbia, B. C.; John, lives at Columbia, B. C.; Lysod, married A. A. Gleason, lives at Cleveland; and Martha, lives at Scranton.

Richard V. James grew up in Beaver Meadow, Pa., and was only 11 years old when he went to work in the coal mines as a breaker boy. In 1905 he entered the employ of the city as foreman of streets and served in this capacity until 1916, at which time he accepted his present position.

Politically, Mr. James is a Republican. He holds membership in the Congregational Church, Masonic, Elk, and Eagles lodges, and is favorably known in the community.

A. H. Alexander is one of the best known young business men of Scranton, where he is manager of the Pennsylvania Indemnity Insurance Company, with offices at 427 Wyoming Avenue. He was born in Pittsburgh, Sept. 13, 1896.

Mr. Alexander obtained his early schooling in the public schools of Pittsburgh and is a graduate of Carnegie Institute of Technology. He was connected with the Harris Engineering Company in that city for four years, and in 1921 became connected with the Pittsburgh office of the Pennsylvania Indemnity Insurance Company. In 1925 he established the company office in Scranton and came here as manager.

On Feb. 17, 1917, Mr. Alexander was united in marriage with Miss Mary Edna Kauffman, of Pittsburgh, and they have two sons, Richard and Donald.

In politics Mr. Alexander is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and is serving as president of the Bible class. He is also a member of the Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce.

Throughout his school career Mr. Alexander was prominent in athletics and was a member of the varsity football team at Carnegie Tech. He is president of the Northeastern Association of Intercollegiate Football Officials, and is very active in this section of the state as an official.

F. J. Moylan, D. D. S.—As an exponent of the dental profession, Dr. F. J. Moylan, of West Scranton, has earned his present high position in his calling and home community through honorable methods, and is enjoying a large and profitable practice. He was born in Scranton, Nov. 15, 1896, and is a son of Dr. P. F. and Florence (Fairchild) Moylan.

Dr. P. F. Moylan was born in Waymart, Wayne County, Pa. He received his degree as Doctor of Medicine from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, in 1890, and for the past 40 years has been one of the leading physicians and surgeons of Scranton. To Doctor and Mrs. Moylan three children were born: F. J., the subject of this sketch; Robert, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, now engaged in the bond business, Scranton; and Louise, a graduate of Marywood Seminary, lives at home.

F. J. Moylan attended the public schools and graduated at the Scranton High School in the class of 1915. He received his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery from Temple University in 1923, and since that time has been engaged in practice in West Scranton, with offices at 633 Sumner Avenue.

On June 27, 1925, Doctor Moylan was married to Miss Madelyn Dacey, of Scranton, and they have one daughter, Patricia, born Aug. 26, 1926.

Doctor Moylan is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church. In politics he is an independent voter, and fraternally he is a member of the Lackawanna Dental Association.

Eugene D. Casey, widely known as the capable young manager of Hotel Casey, Scranton, is a member of one of the city's representative families. He was born in Scranton, July 8, 1889, and is the son of Patrick Joseph and Bridget Angela (O'Malley) Casey.

A complete biography of Patrick Joseph Casey appears elsewhere in this history.

Eugene D. Casey attended St. Cecelia Academy and in 1918 was graduated from St. Thomas College, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He has since been identified with the hotel business and on Sept. 1, 1925, was appointed manager of Hotel Casey. Mr. Casey is also secretary of the Casey Garage, Inc.

Mr. Casey is a Democrat, a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, being Past Faithful Navigator and Faithful Admiral of Scranton Council, No. 280. He is also a member of the Elks Lodge, Equity Club, Lions Club, Abington Hills Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Casey is identified with the Pennsylvania Hotel Men's Association, Hotel Men's Benevolent Association, and Hotel Greeters of America. He has served as treasurer of the latter organization for the past three years.

Paul H. Maxey is among Scranton's prominent young professional men, where he is engaged in the practice of law, with offices in the Lincoln Trust Company Building. He was born at Forest City, Pa., Sept. 28, 1899, and is the son of William J. and Rebecca (Brown) Maxey.

William J. Maxey, a leading attorney of Susquehanna County, Pa., is a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Lansford, Carbon County, July 22, 1863, and his wife was born at Hancock, N. Y. Mr. Maxey has served as sheriff of Susquehanna County and is successfully engaged in the practice of law at Forest City. He is also prominent in banking circles in that city. Mr. Maxey is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Masonic Lodge. He is president of the Vandling Silk Throwing Company and a director of the First National Bank of Forest City. To Mr. and Mrs. Maxey five children were born: D. Rexford, an attorney, Montrose, Pa., also serving as treasurer of Susquehanna County, and is a World War veteran, having served in France as a first lieutenant with the 58th Pioneer Infantry; Florence, married Dr. James J. MacMillan, lives at Carbondale, Pa.; W. J. Donald, associated with the D. G. Nicholas Company, Scranton, is a World War veteran, having served in France with the 301 Tanks Corps; Paul H., the subject of this sketch; and Margaret M., lives at home.

Paul H. Maxey spent his boyhood at Forest City, and in 1916 was graduated from Forest City High School. Four years later he received his degree from Pennsylvania State College and in 1923 was graduated from the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania. He immediately located in Scranton, where he has established an excellent practice. Mr.

Maxey was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County on Sept. 27, 1923, and has since been admitted to practice in the Federal, Supreme, and Superior courts.

Mr. Maxey is a Republican, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Scranton Club, Delta Upsilon and Phi Delta Phi fraternities, Alumni Society of Pennsylvania State College, Alumni Society of the University of Pennsylvania, and the Chamber of Commerce. He is also identified with the Lackawanna County Bar Association.

William J. Schoonover is a leading figure among the successful business men of Scranton, where he is president of the W. J. Schoonover Glass Company. He was born at Bethany, Wayne County, Pa., June 1, 1878, the son of Charles King and Roxy Ann (Brown) Schoonover.

Charles King Schoonover, deceased, was a native of Bethany, Pa. In early life he was a farmer and later engaged in the real estate business at 1266 Third Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. He was a Mason. Mr. Schoonover died July 28, 1920, and is buried in Glen Dy Berry Cemetery, Honesdale, Pa. His widow, who was born in Wayne County, Pa., resides in Honesdale. Mr. and Mrs. Schoonover had only one son, William J., the subject of this sketch.

William J. Schoonover spent his boyhood on his father's farm at Smith Hill, Wayne County, and attended the district schools. He was graduated from Honesdale High School in 1896, after which he learned the printing trade while in the employ of the Wayne Independent, at Bethany. He began his business career as a bookkeeper with the Finn Lumber Company, Scranton, and was later a salesman in the employ of the Hires-Turner Glass Company of Philadelphia. In 1911 Mr. Schoonover organized the W. J. Schoonover Glass Company, which was incorporated Jan. 1, 1921, with the following officers: W. J. Schoonover, president and treasurer; H. M. Vivian, vice president; and P. F. Kapmeyer, secretary. The company is the largest glass jobbing house in Scranton and maintains four warehouses, which are located in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Allentown, Pa., and Utica, N. Y. Mr. Schoonover is also president of the Lackawanna Investment Company, of West Palm Beach, Florida, and a director of the Peoples Savings Dime Bank and Trust Company, Scranton. He has served as president of the National Glass Distributors Association.

On Feb. 18, 1908, Mr. Schoonover was married to Miss Almeda G. Smith, of Seelyville, Pa., the daughter of Charles H. and Elizabeth A. (Yelland) Smith, the former a native of Germany and the latter of Pennsylvania. Mr. Smith died July 2, 1904, and his wife died in February, 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Schoonover have no children.

Politically Mr. Schoonover is a Republican. He is a member of the Green Ridge Baptist Church and his wife holds membership in the Honesdale Presbyterian Church. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and



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Shrine and belongs to the Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Honesdale Country Club, Green Ridge Club, Fox Hill Country Club, Cherry Ridge Association, and Kiwanis Club. He is a past officer in the Chamber of Commerce.

Preston H. Ackey, who is supervising agent for the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, in Scranton, is a well known railroad official of Lackawanna County. He is also a representative in this city for the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad Company. Mr. Ackey was born at Port Clinton, Pa., Nov. 15, 1876.

Mr. Ackey spent his boyhood at Port Clinton and Reading, Pa., and received his education in the public schools. He worked at various occupations as a boy and later took up the study of telegraphy in the employ of the Reading Railroad Company. He was sent throughout the United States by this company as an extra operator, and in April, 1899, became associated with the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey. He was located at Parryville, Pa., and later sent to Catasauqua, Pa., as agent. In October, 1904, Mr. Ackey was transferred to Scranton and at that time accepted his present position with the company.

Mr. Ackey was married on June 25, 1903, to Miss Anna Dawe, of Pen Argyl, Pa., but a native of England. They have a daughter, Fannie, who is a graduate of Central High School, Scranton, and Lackawanna Business College. She is employed in her father's office as a stenographer.

Politically, Mr. Ackey is a Republican. He holds membership in the Elm Park Episcopal Church, and has always been prominent in all church work. He is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge and its various branches, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce. He and his family have an extensive acquaintance in the community and are well liked. Their home is at 1324 Capouse Avenue, Scranton.

Robert G. Coglizer is a veteran of the World War and one of Scranton's most successful and prominent young attorneys. He was born in this city, April 26, 1897, and is the son of Harry A. and Catherine F. (von Maur) Coglizer.

Harry A. Coglizer, deceased, was a native of Pennsylvania. He was born at Moscow in 1866 and died July 4, 1900. He was the son of George and Deliah (Wilson) Coglizer. George Coglizer was an engineer on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad for many years and died in 1914. He is buried in Dunmore (Pa.) Cemetery. His wife died in 1922. Catherine F. (von Maur) Coglizer was born in New York and now resides in Scranton. She was the daughter of George and Eva (Elsinger) von Maur, of Bavaria, Germany. George von Maur was born in Wurtenburg and came to this country with his parents when he was 19 years of age. He settled in New York and became a leading building contractor and

architect. He later lived at Pittston, Pa., where he died in 1897. His wife died in 1907, and they are buried at Dunmore. George von Maur was the son of Paul von Maur, who was the royal drayman to the king of Wurttemberg.

Harry A. Coglizer was well educated and was prominent for many years in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen. He was a Republican and an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church. To Harry A. and Catherine F. (von Maur) Coglizer two children were born; Helen, married Robert W. Hoffman, lives at Scranton, and they have two children, Harry Robert and Helen Catherine; and Robert G., the subject of this sketch.

Robert G. Coglizer spent his boyhood in Scranton and received his early schooling in the public schools. He was graduated from the Dickinson School of Law in 1921 and in October of that year was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. In February, 1922, he was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and on March 14th of that year to the Federal Court. Mr. Coglizer was associated with the law firm of Knapp & O'Malley for almost two years and in 1923 established his private practice with offices in the Connell Building.

In 1918 Mr. Coglizer volunteered for service in the World War and was sent to Fort DuPont, Delaware, and later was transferred to the 7th Trench Motor Battalion. He served in France and was discharged in January, 1919.

Mr. Coglizer is a Republican and in November, 1926, was elected as assistant city solicitor of Scranton. He is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Knights of Malta, American Legion, Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, Alpha Chi Rho fraternity, and Lackawanna Motor Club. He is identified with the Lackawanna County Bar Association and is well liked in the community, where he has spent his entire life.

Cyril A. Casey.—Among the younger men prominent in the business and social life of Scranton, one of the most noteworthy is Cyril A. Casey, who bears the name of an honored and substantial family in this city. He was born in Scranton, April 13, 1901, the son of Patrick Joseph and Bridget Angela (O'Malley) Casey.

A complete biography of Patrick Joseph Casey appears elsewhere in this history.

Cyril A. Casey was educated in St. Cecelia's Academy, and was graduated from St. Thomas College in 1917. He then attended Fordham University from which he received his degree in 1920. During the World War he was enrolled in the Student Army Training Corps. Upon his return to Scranton he became associated with the real estate department of A. J. and P. J. Casey. Since August, 1923, he has been interested in the garage business and operated a garage at 128 Adams Avenue until May 1, 1925, at which time the old building was razed to make room for the

new 500 car garage which was opened for business Jan. 22, 1926. It is known as the Casey Ramp Garage. Mr. Casey is treasurer and general manager of the garage company.

In 1925, Mr. Casey was married to Miss Grace O'Brien, the daughter of Joseph and Kate (Crossen) O'Brien. Mr. O'Brien is one of the prominent attorneys of Scranton and is a member of the law firm of O'Brien & Kelly.

Mr. Casey is a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, 4th degree, Elks Lodge, Holy Name Society, Irish-American Society, Scranton Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of Fordham Alumni Association of New York City. Mr. Casey is a Democrat.

David L. Jones.—The undertaking establishment of David L. Jones, of Scranton, is one of the best equipped funeral homes in Lackawanna County, and he is recognized as a leading mortician in the State. He was born in this city, Nov. 27, 1870, a son of Daniel D. and Catherine (Strudel) Jones.

David D. Jones, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born at Plymouth, Pa., Sept. 18, 1844, and was ten years old when his parents located in Scranton. He spent several years in the Clark coal mines and later was apprenticed to the cabinetmaker's trade under J. Gissner. He was later employed by a Mr. Harrington on Wyoming Avenue. In 1863 Mr. Jones enlisted for service during the Civil War as a member of Battery B, Second Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and was mustered into the Union service at Philadelphia. From there he was ordered to Washington, D. C., and in the spring of 1864 was sent to the front, taking part in the Battle of Cold Harbor and the entire siege of Petersburg. In the march from there to Richmond the battery was under constant fire. After the surrender of Richmond he remained in Virginia on guard duty during the period of reconstruction and was mustered out at City Point in January, 1866, and honorably discharged in Philadelphia. Upon his return to Scranton Mr. Jones was employed by George Davis, furniture dealer, for one year, and with the latter's successors, Corwin & Son. In 1875 Mr. Jones established an undertaking and furniture business at Market and Wayne Avenue, and this original site, 1721 North Main Street, is still held by the company as a branch establishment. Mr. Jones died in 1908, and his wife, a native of New Jersey, died in 1915. Mr. Jones was a Republican and a member of the Lieut. Ezra Griffin Post, G. A. R.

David L. Jones was educated in the public schools of Scranton and in 1886 entered his father's business, at which time the present name was adopted, and from then on a new impetus was given to the concern. In 1901 Mr. Jones opened the first funeral home in Northeastern Pennsylvania at 313 North Washington Avenue, Scranton. In 1914 he purchased the first motor hearse used in this section, and he has continued to intro-

duce new and appropriate features which insure proper and dignified service. The company's main funeral home is located at 427 Madison Avenue, and it ranks among the finest establishments of its kind in the State.

In 1891 Mr. Jones was united in marriage with Miss Bessie E. Coston, the daughter of Edward D. and Aldruda (Sharpsteen) Coston. They have two children, Irene G. and Ronald C.

Ronald C. Jones was educated in this city, and is a graduate of Scranton High School. He took the Pennsylvania State examination, June 1, 1922, and is a qualified undertaker and funeral director. He is now associated in business with his father. During the World War Mr. Jones enlisted for service, April 22, 1918, and served in France from September, 1918, until May 3, 1919, with the rank of corporal. He was attached to Mesves-Bulcy Hospital Centre Evacuation Hospital No. 24, which was among the largest hospitals in the war zone.

David L. Jones is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Knights of Malta, Sons of Veterans, and Lions Club.

It is of interest to note that the historic horse drawn hearse, which was used in carrying the remains of the late President McKinley on their final journey, is still in possession of D. D. Jones & Son, and in admirable preservation. At the time of the death of the martyred president, this hearse, constructed for D. D. Jones & Son, was ready for shipment at Buffalo, N. Y. The committee in charge of the last rites asked permission to use this hearse and it was gladly placed at their disposal by the owners. Among the cherished relics of David L. Jones is a telegram making this request. The final touches in workmanship on the hearse, such as placing brass bolts on the door handles, were done by the late David D. Jones.

David R. Jones, warden of the Lackawanna County Jail, is one of the best known citizens of Scranton. He was born at Glynneath, South Wales, Sept. 20, 1862, the son of Thomas J. and Elizabeth (Reese) Jones.

Thomas J. Jones, deceased, was a native of Wales, born in 1836. He came to the United States about 1878 and located in Scranton, where he worked in the coal mines until 1887. He then removed to Richmond, Va., and was employed in the soft coal mining regions there until 1900, at which time he returned to Scranton. Mr. Jones died in 1913. His wife, who came to this country with her children in 1881, is also deceased. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones are buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton. He was a Republican and a member of the First Congregational Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Jones the following children were born: Susan, married William E. Reese, lives in Scranton; David R., the subject of this sketch; John and Mary, deceased, buried in Richmond, Va.; Jenkin, a retired merchant, lives in Richmond, Va.; Elizabeth, lives in Scranton; Gwennie, married Ernest Furloine, lives at Joddie, W. Va.; and Morgan, a conductor on the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, lives in Scranton.

David R. Jones spent his boyhood in Wales and was 19 years old when he came to this country with his mother. He was employed as a miner in the Briggs coal mines, and later served as mine foreman. On June 1, 1919, Mr. Jones was appointed warden of Lackawanna County Jail by Sheriff J. R. Schlager. He has been reappointed to this office each succeeding year by the Prison Board.

In 1887 Mr. Jones married Miss Annie Griffiths, the daughter of John and Mary (Jones) Griffiths. Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths, who came to the United States in 1880 from Wales and settled in Scranton, are now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Jones were born five children: John, Everett, and Thomas, all deceased, buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton; Winfield, lives in Scranton, is a World War veteran, having served in France; and Laura, lives at home.

Winfield Jones married Miss Mary Harris of Scranton, and they have a son, Warren.

In politics David R. Jones has always been identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the First Congregational Church and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose and Craftsmens Club.

George J. Benore, of Scranton, is a member of one of the oldest and most highly esteemed families of Lackawanna County. He was born in this city, Oct. 17, 1896, and is the son of Frank C. and Jessie W. (Jeffrey) Benore.

Frank C. Benore, deceased, was a prominent citizen of Scranton during his life and served as deputy warden of the Lackawanna County Prison. He was born in Scranton, Sept. 9, 1875, the son of John and Sarah (Haywood) Benore. John Benore was born in Montreal, Canada, Sept. 15, 1832, the son of John and Sarah Benore. In his youth his parents moved to Ogdensburg, N. Y., where he lived for a number of years. He then entered the United States revenue service and lived at Sackett Harbor, N. Y. He later lived at Redfield, N. Y., where he purchased 50 acres of land. From there he removed to Oswego, N. Y., where he remained until 1858. He then located in Scranton, where he was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a railroad contractor. About 1861 he returned to New York but again located in Scranton in 1865. He became well known as a building contractor in the city and employed 100 men in this work. He was a director of the Scranton Builders Exchange, a member of the Board of Trade, and one of the organizers of the Scranton Fire Insurance Company. He belonged to the Elks Lodge and Knights of Pythias. He married Miss Sarah Haywood, a native of England, and to them three sons were born: William A., born Nov. 14, 1871; George H.; and Frank C., father of the subject of this sketch.

Frank C. Benore was reared and educated in Scranton and for many years was associated in the building business with his father. In January, 1918, he was appointed deputy warden of the Lackawanna County

Prison by Sheriff J. R. Schlager, and was holding this office at the time of his death, March 9, 1919. He was well known in the city and a leader in the lumber industry for many years. He was affiliated with the Eagles Lodge and a charter member of the local lodge. To Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Benore were born two sons: George J., the subject of this sketch; and Frank C., was graduated from Scranton High School in 1927, now identified with the Hudson Coal Company.

After completing his early schooling in this city, George J. Benore attended Temple University. He served during the World War in the U. S. Navy and was stationed in Philadelphia. He was discharged in March, 1919, as a pharmacist's mate, first class. He then returned to Scranton and in that year was appointed to his present position as deputy warden of the Lackawanna County Prison. Mr. Benore is also secretary of the Prison Board.

In 1926 Mr. Benore was united in marriage with Miss Dorothy B. Haupt, the daughter of C. T. and Ada (Meutchler) Haupt, of Easton, Pa.

Politically, Mr. Benore is a Republican. He is a member of the Episcopal Church and his wife belongs to the Lutheran Church. Mr. Benore is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, and National League of Masonic Clubs. He lives at 1371 North Washington Avenue, Scranton.

Z. D. Jenkins, who is favorably known in Scranton as the general manager of the Jermyn Hotel, is a veteran of the World War. He was born at Montrose, Susquehanna County, Pa., April 6, 1893, and is the son of Z. D. and Anna (Maxey) Jenkins.

Z. D. Jenkins, deceased, was a leading citizen of Susquehanna County, Pa., where he served as sheriff. He was a native of that county, born at Clifford. In early life Mr. Jenkins was a farmer and later engaged in the real estate business at Montrose. At the time of his death, in 1893, he was studying law. He is buried at Clifford, Pa. Mr. Jenkins was a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian Church and Masonic Lodge. His widow, who was born at Clifford, now resides at Montrose, Pa. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins: Jessie, married Col. C. P. Fortney, chairman of the State Highway Commission of West Virginia, lives at Charleston, W. Va.; John Maxey, a principal in a private school for boys at Houston, Texas; and Z. D., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his schooling in the public and high schools of Montrose in 1913, Z. D. Jenkins owned and operated Hart Lake, a popular summer resort near Montrose. In May, 1917, he volunteered for service in the World War and attended the Officers Training School, where he received the rank of second lieutenant. He was attached to the 96th Division. At the close of the war he was serving as a first lieutenant. Mr. Jenkins then located at Akron, Ohio, as representative for the Provident Life & Trust Company of Philadelphia. He resigned from this position in

1922 and went to Cleveland, Ohio, where he spent the following year. Since 1923 he has been the able manager of the Jermyn Hotel, one of Scranton's leading hostelries.

In politics Mr. Jenkins is identified with the Republican party. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, League of Masonic Clubs, and belongs to the Chamber of Commerce. He is also active in the Pennsylvania State Hotel Men's Association and the American Hotel Men's Association.

Victor Burschel, who is secretary and treasurer of the Wilson Coal Company, has been a prominent business man of Dunmore for many years. He was born in this city, Dec. 3, 1869, the son of J. A. Armin and Anna (Luchsinger) Burschel.

J. A. Armin Burschel, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, the son of Col. Peter Burschel, who received his title during the revolutionary war in Germany in 1848. After the close of the war he came to the United States with Carl Schurz. They revisited their native land in 1869 and at that time were arrested and imprisoned but obtained their release owing to the fact that they had their U. S. naturalization papers with them. When Colonel Burschel took up his residence in Dunmore it was known as Bucktown. He entered the employ of L. H. Scranton, and later founded the Keystone Brewery on Blakely Street. He was living retired at the time of his death.

J. A. Armin Burschel was brought to this country by his parents when he was three months old. He was reared and educated at Dunmore and for many years was identified with the Keystone Brewery as sole owner. He later sold this business and removed to Pittston, Pa., where he established the Forest Castle Brewery. He died in 1883 at the age of 48 years, and is buried in Dunmore. His wife, a native of Switzerland, is also deceased. Mr. Burschel served throughout the Civil War as a member of Company H, 52nd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He served as internal revenue collector for the Dunmore district and was at one time foreman of the Pittston Fire Department.

Victor Burschel acquired his early education in the public schools of Dunmore and is also a graduate of Wood's Business College. He was employed by the Erie Railroad Company as station agent at Dunmore for several years, and was later assistant auditor of the company at Dunmore. He then went as advertising manager of the Scrantonian, and after ten years became associated with the Wilson Coal Company as secretary and treasurer. He is also secretary and treasurer of the Marcy Coal Company, Bucktown Coal Company, Wilson Bros. Company, and Wil-Bur Gas Company. He was one of the organizers of the Dunmore Electric Light, Heat & Power Company.

Mr. Burschel married Miss Nellie S. Wilson, the daughter of James R. and Sarah Ellen (Allison) Wilson. Mr. Wilson lives in Dunmore. His

wife died in 1927. Mr. and Mrs. Burschel have three daughters, Vivian Luchsinger, Dorothy Allison, and Saryellen Wilson Burschel.

Mr. Burschel is a Democrat and has served as burgess of Dunmore for two terms, as county commissioner for three terms, and as county chairman of the Democratic party for six terms. He is a member of the Elks Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Patriotic Sons of America, Green Ridge Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Burschel organized the Independent Hose Company of Dunmore, April 5, 1885, and has since been affiliated with this organization. He served as chief of this company for seven years and is now president. He is also captain of the company's drill team, which has held the drill championship of the State of Pennsylvania for ten years. He has served as treasurer of the Firemen's Relief Association for 35 years, and is president of the Dunmore Fire Department Association.

William Cawley.—In every community the men who are connected in an official position with banking institutions are regarded as possessed of certain attributes that make them desirable adjuncts to other concerns, and their assistance is sought by those looking for sound advice and sound judgment in large undertaking. For these and other cogent reasons bank officials are usually found on the directorate of important business and industrial companies. William Cawley, vice-president of the Peoples Savings & Dime Bank of Scranton, is no exception to this rule, for in addition to this responsible position he is a director of the Scranton Pump Company and the Sorco Manufacturing Company, both important concerns of Scranton.

William Cawley was born at Dunmore, Pa., May 27, 1878, a son of Thomas F. and Annie (Lynett) Cawley, both of whom are deceased, the father having been for many years a prosperous hardware merchant and a man of sound repute. He died in 1922 at the age of 72 years, and his wife died in 1920, aged 65 years. Mr. and Mrs. Cawley had six children, as follows: Margaret, lives at home; Mrs. John Malley, resides with her sister Margaret; Mrs. Alfred Green, lives at Shenandoah, Pa.; Mrs. John Hart, lives at Mayfield, Pa.; Edward, lives at Dunmore; and William, the subject of this sketch.

Graduated from high school in 1895, William Cawley entered his present bank as bookkeeper's assistant, and with the exception of five years, 1912 to 1917, when he was loaned to the North Scranton Bank as cashier, he has remained with this institution ever since, and in 1922 was elected its vice-president. This is one of the old and reliable banking houses of Lackawanna County, and Mr. Cawley is proud of the fact that he has been connected with its development for so many years. He is a Republican but not active in public life. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Chamber of Commerce, Scranton Club, and



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Scranton Country Club. He is a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church of Scranton.

Mr. Cawley was married on June 5, 1906, at Dunmore, to Miss Agnes Mongan, a daughter of E. H. and Catherine (Healey) Mongan, both deceased. They have four children: Agnes, Ruth, Louise, and Jane, all of whom are attending the Scranton schools.

Patrick A. Barrett, managing editor of the Catholic Light, is among the prominent newspaper men and representative citizens of Scranton. He was born at Minooka, Lackawanna County, March 10, 1859, and is the son of James and Catherine (Gillgallon) Barrett.

James Barrett was born in County Mayo, Ireland, as was his wife. Their marriage in Scranton was the first ceremony to take place in St. Vincent's Catholic Church. Mr. Barrett followed mining and railroading during his active career and became a leading rock contractor of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, and Maryland. He returned to Scranton in 1869, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a member of St. Peter's Cathedral and the Benevolent Order of Hibernians. To Mr. and Mrs. Barrett, who are deceased, the following children were born: Mary, deceased, was the wife of Gus A. Leuschner, lives at Pittston, Pa.; Patrick A., the subject of this sketch; and ten children who are deceased.

Patrick A. Barrett was educated in the schools of Minooka, Pa., and Niles, Ohio. He entered the coal mines of Pennsylvania when he was nine years old and worked as a mule driver for several years. While thus engaged he studied stenography at home and in 1876 learned the printer's trade as an apprentice on the Scranton Times where his skill in shorthand played an important part. In June, 1881, he went to Philadelphia, where he worked as a reporter on the Times, Record, and Chronicle. He returned to Scranton in 1885 and purchased the Scranton Times which he conducted successfully until 1890. Two years later he became the Elmira Telegram manager for Lackawanna County and served in this capacity for 30 years. When Bishop Hoban purchased the Catholic Light in 1922 Mr. Barrett was appointed managing editor, in which capacity he now serves. He is one of the oldest newspapermen in Pennsylvania and in 1926 was tendered a banquet in commemoration of his 50 years of continuous newspaper service.

In 1883 Mr. Barrett was united in marriage with Miss Isabel A. Murray, the daughter of Daniel and Margaret Murray, natives of Ireland. Mrs. Barrett was born at Lakewood, N. J. To Mr. and Mrs. Barrett were born eleven children as follows: (1) Mae, lives in Scranton. (2) Loretta H., lives in Scranton. (3) Isabella F., married Donald Haile, superintendent of Macy's store, New York City, and they have six children: Donald, Lawrence, Annabel, Grace Marie, Rose Marie, and Paul R. (4) James M., a World War veteran, lives in Scranton, married Aloise W. O'Neil, who died May 5, 1927. They had three children: Louis Ralth, Mary Aloise,

and Peggy O'Neil. (5) Ralph, a surveyor, lives in Scranton, a World War veteran, having served in France with Company F, 103rd Engineers, 28th Division. (6) Marguerite, married Walter J. Reagan, lives at Dunmore, Pa., and they have two children, Ann and Walter. (7) Catherine G., lives in Scranton. (8) Alice Mildred, married Jack Caffery, lives in Scranton. (9) Paul Adrian, editor of the Olyphant Gazette, and president of the Barrett Publishing Company, lives at Dunmore, Pa., married Mildred Padden, and they have a son, Jerome. (10) Harold, connected with the "Dunmorean," lives at home. (11) Jerome D., died in 1925, buried in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Moscow, Pa.

Mr. Barrett is a Democrat, a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church and Holy Name Society. He was one of the founders of the Irish-American Society of Scranton.

Lt. Col. James W. Oakford, deceased, was esteemed as a progressive and enterprising business man of Scranton, where he was prominent and well known in business and financial circles and had many close friends.

The ancestors of the Oakford family, which were represented in the generation of Lt. Col. James W. Oakford, were among the earliest residents of the city of Philadelphia, and several of them settled on the banks of the Delaware when William Penn first sailed up that river to the present site of Philadelphia. In the years when Philadelphia was the chief port of the New World, members of the family held prestige as leading merchants, being active factors in the growth and development of Philadelphia. Being of Quaker ancestry, they conformed to all the doctrines of that sect, leading peaceful and quiet lives. Col. Richard A. Oakford, son of Joseph Oakford, who was a prominent importer of China and Tea, as was his father, Isaac Oakford, was born in Philadelphia, Dec. 8, 1820. He attended the public schools of Philadelphia and Lafayette College, where he specialized in languages. He studied German, French, Spanish and Italian, which he read with ease and spoke fluently. He also studied engineering. He moved from Philadelphia to the Wyoming Valley. He later engaged in the coal business in Pittsburgh, and made extensive trips down the Mississippi River as far as New Orleans, thus becoming acquainted with the southern viewpoint in regard to secession, slavery, and the likelihood of war. Because of this he held a more exact and comprehensive idea of the attitude of that section than most northerners, not excepting those in authority. He realized that in the South there would be no compromise and knowing well the position of the North was prepared at any time for the announcement of war. At the outbreak of hostilities, at which time he was a resident of Scranton, he was among the first to volunteer for service, enlisting for three months, and was elected Colonel of the 15th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was placed in charge of the post at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, named in honor of Governor Curtin, where the mobilization of the State troops were taking place, and when

the regiment was ordered to the field he commanded it in the Shenandoah Valley. On Aug. 15, 1862, the 132nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry was mustered into service and he was chosen Colonel. He was not destined to hold his new position long, for on Sept. 17, 1862, while leading his men into the fray at the Battle of Antietam, a bullet from the enemy's first volley found a vital spot in his body, killing him instantly.

Colonel Oakford was married Dec. 27, 1843, to Frances Carey Slocum. By this marriage the English and Swedish blood of the Oakford family became allied with another strain of English origin. Members of the Slocum family have been connected with the history of Scranton since the day when it derived its name from them and was known as "Slocum's Hollow." The records of the town of Warwick, R. I., contain the certificate of marriage of Jonathan Slocum and Ruth Tripp, on Feb. 23, 1758, both of Portsmouth, Newport County, R. I. In November, 1777, Jonathan Slocum settled on land in Wyoming Valley, purchased two years before. It was from his home in this valley that on Nov. 2, 1778, his daughter Frances, then about four years of age, was stolen by the Indians and carried away into captivity. The grief-crazed father was an implacable enemy of the Indians and met his death in a struggle with them in the battle which has come to be known in history as the Wyoming Massacre. Isaac Tripp, his father-in-law, was likewise killed at that time. The search for Frances Slocum was never abandoned and 59 years later she was discovered with a tribe of Indians near Logansport, Ind., by her brothers. She had been kindly treated, had married into the tribe, was the mother of several children, and was accorded far more consideration than the Indian squaws. The Indians in deference to her superior intelligence conferred with her on many matters and she had instructed them in numerous useful arts, which had been her natural heritance. During her long stay with them she had completely forgotten her native tongue and was compelled to converse with her brothers through an interpreter. Realizing that it was for her good not to attempt to take her from what had become a congenial environment they left her. Her death occurred near Peru, Wabash County, Indiana, March 23, 1847. William, son of Jonathan and Ruth (Tripp) Slocum, was born Jan. 6, 1762, and died in Pittston, Pa., Oct. 20, 1810. From 1796 to 1799 he served as sheriff of Luzerne County. He married June 4, 1786, Sarah L. Sawyer. Laton, the fourth child of William and Sarah L. Slocum, was born in Pittsburgh, Aug. 16, 1792, and died Jan. 16, 1833. He married Gratey, daughter of James Scoville, and it is through the marriage of his daughter Frances Carey that the lines of the Slocum and Oakford families merge.

Lt. Col. James W. Oakford, son of Col. Richard A. and Frances Carey (Slocum) Oakford, was born in Scranton, June 5, 1859. After a preparatory education he matriculated at Yale College, whence he was graduated in the class of 1884. At the completion of his college course he entered upon the study of law in the office of Judge Archbald. Upon the elevation of that gentleman to the bench he was court clerk in the prothonotary's

office, and later continued to study in the office of S. B. Price, Esq., until his admission to the bar. He remained in Mr. Price's office for one more year after gaining the right to practice and then established an office independently. While meeting with success in his chosen profession he gradually acquired so many business interests that he gave less and less attention to legal matters. The chief of his varied interests were the Cherry River Boom & Lumber Company and the Hebard Cypress Company. He was also a director of the Third National Bank.

With the love of military affairs inherited from his father, Colonel Oakford was active in the Pennsylvania National Guard, and on two occasions saw service at the call of the governor, once at Homestead and again at Hazelton. Before leaving home for college he was a member of the Scranton City Guard and continued in membership while away. Returning to Scranton he became affiliated with the 13th Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard, serving six years in the ranks, later as Regimental Quartermaster, and Commissary, and afterwards as brigade judge advocate with the rank of major, and as division judge advocate ranking as lieutenant colonel. He was a member of Peter Williamson Lodge, F. and A. M., Lackawanna Chapter, R. A. M., Coeur de Lion Commandery, K. T., and Chamber of Commerce.

Colonel Oakford married Miss Mary Manness, the daughter of William Manness. To this union were born two daughters, Frances Slocum and Mary Oakford.

Colonel Oakford spent most of his life in Scranton, but moved a few years ago to Haverford, Pa. After establishing his residence at the latter place, however, he continued to spend his summers at Clarks Summit. He died at Haverford on Jan. 1, 1928.

Dwight Wilson Weist.—Perhaps one of the most prominent men of Scranton is Dwight W. Weist, who is serving as executive secretary of the Community Chest, the Welfare Association of Scranton. He was born at Basil, Fairfield County, Ohio, January 19, 1881, and is the son of Oliver J. and Laura B. (Bright) Weist.

Oliver Jacob Weist, retired, is a native of Ohio, born at Basil, in 1852. He followed general farming and stock raising during his entire active career and owns a large farm near Baltimore, Fairfield County, Ohio. Mr. Weist has been a resident of Baltimore, Ohio, since the time of his retirement. He is a Republican and a member of the Evangelical Association Church. His wife was born at Basil, Ohio, in 1857, and is the daughter of John and Harriet (Chamberlain) Bright. Mr. Bright was born at Basil, Ohio, in 1832, and is now in his 95th year. He is a veteran of the Civil War, having served with the 160th Ohio Regiment. He lives at Baltimore, Ohio.

To Oliver J. and Laura B. (Bright) Weist the following children were born: Maude, married Prof. Roy H. Oman, lives at Columbus, Ohio;

Dwight W., the subject of this sketch; Rev. Oliver C., pastor of the First Community Church, Columbus, Ohio; Rev. Carl S., pastor of the First Congregational Church, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Blanche, married Harry L. Kagay, superintendent of schools, Thornville, Ohio; and one child died in infancy.

Dwight W. Weist obtained his early schooling at Basil, Ohio, and was graduated from Fairfield Union Academy, Pleasantville, Ohio, 1901, and from Ohio State University in 1905. He was appointed student secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, for one year, and was then transferred to the University of Illinois, and two years later to Leland Stanford University. In 1912 he went to Cleveland, Ohio, as assistant general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and remained there until August, 1921. He has since held his present position in Scranton. During the World War, Mr. Weist organized and was chief secretary of the cantonment of the Y. M. C. A. at Camp Sherman, Ohio, and went to France as secretary for the 26th Division, and later was regional director at Le Mans.

In 1907 Mr. Weist was united in marriage with Miss Harriet Faye Thompson, the daughter of Charles P. and Cora (McMillan) Thompson, of Pataskala, Ohio. They have four children: Helen, Dwight, Jr., Kathryn, and Marion Jane, all at home.

Mr. Weist is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Y. M. C. A., Advertising Club, Scranton Country Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Vincent A. Brennan.—Perhaps one of the most progressive business men and substantial citizens of Scranton is Vincent A. Brennan, who is interested in the hotel business. He was born in New York City, Aug. 19, 1880, and is the son of Dennis and Elizabeth (Malloy) Brennan.

Dennis Brennan, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He was highly educated and remained in his native land until early manhood, when he emigrated to the United States and settled in New York City. He became a successful building contractor and was active in politics, being a stanch Democrat. Mr. Brennan died in 1895 and his wife, a native of England, died in 1904. Both are buried in Calvary Cemetery, New York City. To Mr. and Mrs. Brennan the following children were born: Joseph, deceased; Emmanuel, a contractor, lives in New York City; Leo, World War veteran, engaged in the insurance business, New York City; Vincent A., the subject of this sketch; George, deceased, was a World War veteran; James, a World War veteran, associated with the Jones-Laughlin Steel Company, Pittsburgh; and Rita, married William J. Scanlon, of New York City, who is an executive of the Automobile Club of America, with residence in New York.

Vincent A. Brennan grew up in New York City and attended the parochial schools. He was graduated from St. Vincent Ferrers School in 1896 and later attended Notre Dame University. He began his business

career with the St. Louis Disinfecting Company as assistant sales manager and three years later went to Philadelphia as assistant sales manager of the Charles E. Hiers Company. He later became interested in the wholesale fruit and produce business in Philadelphia, where he remained until 1914. Since that date Mr. Brennan has lived in Scranton and for some time was assistant sales manager for Libby, McNeil Company of Chicago, Ill. He resigned from this position in 1918 and from that date until 1923 was connected with Armour & Company of Chicago. In 1923 he entered the federal service as an internal revenue collector of the 12th District, but shortly afterward resigned to accept a position with the Reliance Insurance Company of Pittsburgh as general agent in Scranton.

In 1909 Mr. Brennan was united in marriage with Miss Eleanor Flanigan, the daughter of Mathew and Elizabeth (Woods) Flanigan, the former a native of Scotland and the latter of Philadelphia. Both Mr. and Mrs. Flanigan are deceased and are buried in Philadelphia. To Mr. and Mrs. Brennan have been born three sons: Charles and Michael, both deceased; and Edward, who is connected with the art department of the Comerford Amusement Company, Scranton.

Mr. Brennan is a Republican, a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge and Eagles Lodge. During the World War Mr. Brennan was exceedingly active in all war drives and successfully collected many thousands of dollars for the Y. M. C. A., Salvation Army, Red Cross, and other drives, being one of the city's active "three minute speakers."

George C. Scheuer.—One of the leading citizens of Scranton is George C. Scheuer, who is clerk of the United States District Courts. He was born in Scranton, April 21, 1878, the son of George and Mary L. (Reidenbach) Scheuer.

George Scheuer, president of the Scranton Baking Company and the George Scheuer Inc., is among the influential and highly successful business men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Scranton, Oct. 31, 1855, the son of John Scheuer, who settled in Scranton in 1849. George Scheuer at the age of 12 years found employment in a bakery, and so industriously applied himself to learning that trade, that, at the age of 19 years the name, George Scheuer, Baker, appeared on a bread wagon, when in the year of 1874, with his father, a baking business was established, which has been successfully conducted since that date.

George Scheuer succeeded his father as the head of the business, upon the latter's death. In association with his brothers a cake and cracker bakery was established known as the Pennsylvania Baking Company. George Scheuer continued as president of that company until 1923 when he disposed of his interest in it.

Remaining at the head of the Scheuer Baking Company, one of the largest bread bakeries in N. E. Pennsylvania, and with his son established

the George Scheuer, Inc., engaged in the cake and cookie business, which rapidly grew into a large enterprise.

Mr. Scheuer is a Republican and a member of the Hickory Street Presbyterian Church. His wife, a native of Scranton, died in 1925 and is buried in the Dunmore Cemetery. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. George Scheuer, George C., the subject of this sketch; Caroline, married to Dr. George J. Fruehan, lives in Scranton; and Nellie, deceased.

A complete biographical sketch of John Scheuer, father of George Scheuer, is found elsewhere in this history.

George C. Scheuer attended the public schools of Scranton and in 1897 was graduated from Central High School. He then entered the law office of R. A. Zimmerman and in 1900 was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County, and later to the Supreme, Superior and Federal Courts. He practiced his profession under the firm name of Zimmerman & Scheuer for a number of years with offices in the Board of Trade Building. In 1901 he was appointed deputy clerk of the U. S. District Court and in 1911 was made clerk of the U. S. District Court and United States Commissioner, by Judge Witmer, and later reappointed by Judge Johnson. Mr. Scheuer also has extensive business interests in the city, being identified with the Scheuer Baking Company, and George Scheuer, Inc., as Secretary, Treasurer.

In 1907 Mr. Scheuer was united in marriage with Miss Louise Lohmann, daughter of John and Mary (Klotz) Lohmann, of Scranton. Mr. Lohmann, who lives retired, was prominent in the city for many years as a hotel and restaurant owner. His wife is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Scheuer have two children: George L., born in 1910; and Mary Louise, born in 1914.

Mr. Scheuer is a Republican, a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Country Club of Scranton, and Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association.

John M. Kelly ranks high among the able and popular young attorneys of Scranton, with offices in the Connell Building. He was born at Forest City, Pa., Aug. 12, 1898, the son of Martin and Margaret (McLaughlin) Kelly.

Martin Kelly, retired, is a native of Glasgow, Scotland, born in 1865. He came to the United States about 1887 and located at Burwell, Neb., where he purchased a tract of 165 acres. In 1897 he sold his land and removed to Forest City, Pa., where he worked as a miner. He has lived at Vandling, Pa., since 1903. Mr. Kelly was married in Nebraska in 1889 to Miss Margaret McLaughlin, also a native of Scotland. To them the following children were born: Catherine, married Frank Kelleher, lives at Vandling, Pa.; John M., the subject of this sketch; Frank, lives at Vandling, Pa.; Martin, Jr., lives at Syracuse, N. Y.; and Patrick, attends Dickin-

son Law School. Mr. Kelly is a Democrat and has held several public offices. He is a member of the Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, and Holy Name Society.

John M. Kelly grew up at Vandling, Pa., and attended the public schools there. After his graduation from high school he taught school for two years and in May, 1918, volunteered for service in the World War. He attended the Field Artillery Officers' Training School, at Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky, and was discharged from the service on Dec. 15, 1918. He then entered Dickinson Law School, from which he was graduated in 1921. On November 2nd of that year he was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County, and then established his present practice in Scranton.

In 1925 Mr. Kelly was married to Miss Marjorie Bagley, the daughter of James and Bridget Bagley, of Carbondale, Pa. They have a daughter, Mary.

Politically, Mr. Kelly is identified with the Democratic party. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Knights of St. George, Irish-American Society, Holy Name Society, American Legion, Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge, and Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association.

Charles Kirst, deceased, was one of the well known men of Scranton, where he served as one of the first mail carriers during the administration of Postmaster Fuller. He was born in Germany in 1858, and died July 31, 1921. He was the son of the Philip and Elizabeth (Fetzer) Kirst, who came to the United States in 1867. They were early settlers of Scranton and the parents of nine children, Charles being the third in order of birth. Another son, Philip Kirst, was a pioneer settler of Scranton and the inventor of the first street flushing cleaner, which has been in use throughout this section of the country. He was also the first superintendent of highway and sewer construction in Scranton.

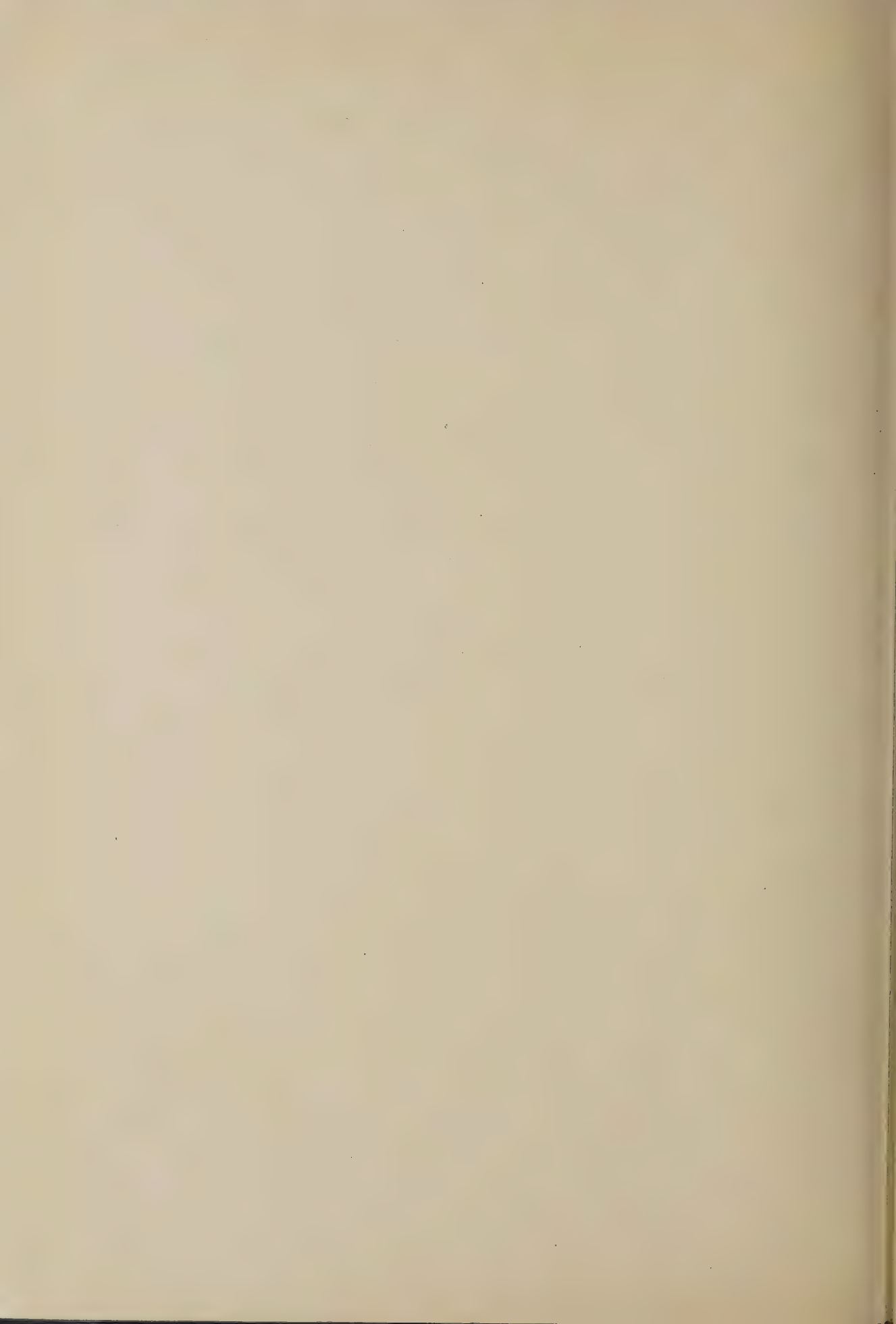
Charles Kirst was married May 13, 1884, to Crescentia Gschwinder, who was born July 24, 1858, at Minooka, Pa., the daughter of Frank and Bridget (Sontimer) Gschwinder, natives of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Gschwinder were early settlers of Scranton, where he was identified with the mines as superintendent.

Mr. Kirst was interested in the hotel business in later life and was also associated in the insurance business with John B. Rader as a member of the firm of Kirst & Rader. He was one of the first directors of St. Mary Keller Memorial Hospital, Scranton, and was also a member of the building committee in charge of the erection of that hospital. In politics he was a Republican and served as treasurer of the Republican city committee at the time of the election of Mayor J. Benjamin Dimmick. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, South Side.

Mr. Kirst was well known throughout this section of the state as a sportsman, being especially interested in hunting and fishing.



CHARLES KIRST



To Charles and Crescentia (Gshwinder) Kirst were born six children: Lillian, at home; Gertrude, married Matthew Thees, manager of the Economy Furniture Company, Scranton; Loretta, deceased, was the wife of Joseph P. Rader; Charles W., chiropodist, married Miss Marie Ackerman, lives at York Pa.; Harry F., lives in Scranton; and Frank J., mention of whom is made below.

Frank J. Kirst, who is recognized as one of the able young attorneys of Scranton, is a native of this city. He was born March 10, 1899, and acquired his early education at St. Mary's School, Scranton. In 1918 he was graduated from St. Thomas High School and later attended Villa Nova College. In 1923 he was graduated from Dickinson Law School. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from St. Thomas College in 1926, and in February, 1927, was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County. He has since been admitted to practice in the Supreme, Federal, and Superior Courts. Mr. Kirst has offices in the Mears Building.

Mr. Kirst is a Republican in his political affiliations. He holds membership in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Holy Name Society, Knights of St. George, American Legion, Delta Chi fraternity, and Lackawanna Bar Association. He is also a member of Skorms Honorary Law Fraternity. During the World War Mr. Kirst was a member of the Student Army Training Corps at Stroudsburg, Pa.

Rev. William Anthony Healey, who is pastor of Our Lady of the Snow Catholic Church at Clarks Summit, is a prominent and widely known resident of Lackawanna County. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., April 29, 1877, and is a son of Patrick and Margaret (Loftus) Healey.

Both Patrick Healey and his wife were natives of County Mayo, Ireland, where they spent their early lives. After emigrating to the United States they settled at Dunmore, Pa., where Mr. Healey was employed as a miner by the Pennsylvania Coal Company. He died in June, 1907, and his wife died in June, 1915. Mr. Healey was a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and belonged to the Ancient Order of Hibernians. To Mr. and Mrs. Healey were born seven children, as follows: John, a veteran of the World War; Martin, who lost his sight while in service during the Spanish-American War, lives at the United States Soldiers Home in Washington, D. C.; Anna, sister of St. Joseph's order, Concordia, Kan.; William Anthony, the subject of this sketch; Margaret, married Lewis McAloon, lives at Syracuse, N. Y.; Agnes, in religious life Sister Delphina, Mt. St. Mary's College, Scranton; and Mary, in religious life Sister Theodora, Mt. St. Mary's College, Scranton.

The early education of William Anthony Healey was obtained in the public schools of Dunmore. He then attended Woods Business College, Scranton, and in 1899 was graduated from Epiphany College, Balti-

more, Md. He entered St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, N. Y., and was graduated therefrom in 1906, being ordained to the priesthood on June 31st of that year by Bishop Hoban at St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton. Reverend Healey was then assigned to St. Andrew's Church at Blossburg, Pa., and the following year was transferred to St. Ann's Church, at Freeland, Pa., where he remained one year. His next pastorate was St. Vincent's Church, Plymouth, Pa., and after four years there he spent eight years as pastor of St. Mary's Church, at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. He later served as pastor of St. Juliana Church at Rock Lack, in Wayne County, Pa., and in November, 1924, came to Clarks Summit as pastor of Our Lady of the Snow Church.

Reverend Healey is active in the Knights of Columbus, Plymouth Council, of which he has served as chaplain.

Alfred E. Lister.—One of the foremost business men of Scranton is Alfred E. Lister, who is representative of the Fidelity Investment Association of Wheeling, W. Va. He was born at Carbondale, July 8, 1864, and is a son of Ralph H. and Harriet (Oliver) Lister.

Ralph Hartley Lister was born at Bradford, England, in 1835. He came to this country in 1856 and settled in Carbondale, where he was employed as a gardener on the Hendrick's estate. Later he was connected with the Carbondale Gas Works and then went as an engineer for the Delaware and Hudson Company, Coal Department. In 1877 Mr. Lister moved to a farm near Prompton, Pa., where he died Dec. 8, 1882. He was a Republican, a member of the Berean Baptist Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife was born in England, near Halifax, in 1840, and died Aug. 10, 1917. She came to this country in 1852. Mr. and Mrs. Lister are buried in Maplewood Cemetery, Carbondale. They had three children: Emma, the widow of Charles Hall, lives at Glenburn, Pa.; Alfred E., the subject of this sketch; and Harry Oliver, lives at Clarks Summit. He is an engineer with the Hudson Coal Company.

Alfred E. Lister was educated in the public and high schools of Carbondale, and in early youth was employed on a farm. Later he learned the machinist trade and in 1886 entered Keystone Academy. He was graduated from Lehigh University in 1892 with the degree of Mechanical Engineer, and began his professional career with the Holmes Fibre Graphite Company of Philadelphia. He was later connected with the Link Belt Engineering Company, Philadelphia, and in 1896 came to Scranton as a representative of the Eynon-Evans Company of Philadelphia, manufacturers of bronze castings. The following year he entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company as mechanical engineer and served in this capacity until June 30, 1917. During the World War he was associated with the Submarine Boat Corporation, Newark, N. J., as general inspector, and left this company in February, 1921. Since

1923 Mr. Lister has held his present responsible position with the Fidelity Investment Association of Wheeling. He is also treasurer of the Tip Top Coal Company, Scranton.

On Sept. 19, 1894, Mr. Lister was married to Miss Bertha Louise Colvin, the daughter of Leighton O. and Jeanette A. (Hall) Colvin, of Abington, Pa. Mr. Colvin, deceased, was a veteran of the Civil War, having served as first lieutenant in the Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. His wife had seven brothers who served throughout the Civil War. Mr. and Mrs. Colvin are buried in Hickory Grove Cemetery, Waverly, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Lister have two daughters: Marjorie Colvin, a graduate of Maryland College for Women, married G. Earl Sutherland, of the Conrad Motor Company, Scranton, and they have a daughter, Marjorie Louise; and Patricia Louise, who attends Waverly High School.

Mr. Lister is affiliated with Peter Williamson Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 323; Lackawanna Chapter R. A. M. No. 185; Scranton Council, R. and S. M. M. No. 44; Coeur de Lion Commandery, K. T. No. 17, of which he was commander in 1911; Keystone Consistory, A. A. S. R. 32nd degree. He is a member of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America, having served as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knight Templar of Pennsylvania, 1921-22, and has always been prominent in Masonic circles, holding several honorary memberships in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Michigan. His wife is a member of the Pennsylvania Society Colonial Dames of America, Scranton City Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and is secretary of the Scranton Colony of New England Women. She also belongs to the Abington Women's Club.

The Lister residence is at Glenburn, the family having located there in 1907.

Thomas Joseph Corcoran, who is manager of the Casey Drug Store, is among the prominent young men of Scranton. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., Nov. 20, 1896, the son of Dominick and Bridget (Timlin) Corcoran.

Both Dominick Corcoran and his wife were born in Ireland. Their marriage took place in Scranton, where Mr. Corcoran was employed in the Lackawanna Steel Mills. He later removed to Dunmore, where he was associated in business with a cousin, John Corcoran. He became owner of a store, which he successfully operated for 15 years. Mr. Corcoran died in 1921, and is buried at Dunmore. He was a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and belonged to the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Corcoran: Mary, the widow of P. J. Kane, lives at Dunmore; Catherine, lives at Dunmore; and Thomas Joseph, the subject of this sketch.

After attending the public schools of Dunmore, Thomas Joseph Corcoran was graduated from Dunmore High School in 1915. He began his

business career as a clerk in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. In 1919 he entered Temple University, from which he was graduated in 1921, with the degree of Ph. G. He has since been identified with the Casey Drug Store, which is operated in connection with Hotel Casey. He has served as store manager since 1924.

In 1920 Mr. Corcoran was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Scott, the daughter of John J. and Catherine (Finnerty) Scott. Mr. Scott was a hotel owner for many years, having retired from business in 1915. He removed to New York in 1919 and died Feb. 15, 1926. His wife died Dec. 31, 1926. Both are buried in Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Corcoran have a daughter, Mary.

Mr. Corcoran is a Democrat, a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and belongs to the Holy Name Society, and Kappa Sigma Phi fraternity. He is a member of the Pennsylvania State Pharmacists Association.

James Pringle Dickson, deceased, was a prominent citizen of Lackawanna County during his lifetime, and a highly esteemed member of the community in which he lived. He was born at Carbondale, Pa., July 24, 1852, the son of Thomas and Augusta (Marvine) Dickson.

Thomas Dickson was born in Leeds, England, March 26, 1824, the son of James and Elizabeth (Linen) Dickson. Thomas Dickson came to the United States with his parents in 1832 and first settled in Toronto, Canada. Two years later he came to Pennsylvania, where he entered the employ of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company as a mule driver. Later he was employed by the leading general mercantile establishment at Carbondale as a clerk. He received his schooling in the night classes of the public schools. In company with his father Mr. Dickson and his brothers established the firm of Dickson & Company in 1856, the plant being located at Scranton. In 1862 the company was reorganized and named the Dickson Manufacturing Company, with Thomas Dickson serving as president and general manager. In 1859 he was appointed coal superintendent for the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company, which office he held until 1867, at which time he resigned in favor of his brother, George L. Dickson. In October, 1863, he assisted in the organization of the First National Bank of Scranton, and served as a director of that institution until his death. In April, 1865, Mr. Dickson assisted in the organization of the Moosic Power Company, of which he also served as director. He was elected vice president of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company in 1867 and made president two years later.

On Aug. 31, 1846, Thomas Dickson was united in marriage with Miss Mary Augusta Marvine, the daughter of Deacon Roswell E. and Sophia (Raymond) Marvine, natives of New York. Mr. Dickson died July 30, 1884, and is buried in the Dunmore Cemetery.

James Pringle Dickson was educated in the schools of Carbondale and at the age of 12 years entered Lafayette College. Shortly afterward,

due to ill health, he was obliged to give up his educational work. The active business career of Mr. Dickson began with his appointment as a member of an engineering corps that surveyed preparatory to the construction of railroad lines by the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company. In 1869 he went to China and for two years was connected with the commission house of Olyphant & Company. In 1872 he entered the offices of the Dickson Manufacturing Company and occupied the position of clerk for a period of three years. He was then appointed agent for the company at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and later was elected vice president of the firm. In June, 1883, Mr. Dickson was elected president of the Dickson Manufacturing Company, having succeeded his father.

The Dickson Manufacturing Company was organized in 1856 with a capital stock of \$150,000 and employed 30 men. In 1896 the capital stock was increased to \$800,000. They were builders of locomotive engines and boilers and ranked among the leading manufacturers in this section of the country.

In 1896 Mr. Dickson resigned from the company as president and retired to his country home at Dalton, Pa., where he died in September, 1906. He is buried at Dunmore.

On Oct. 19, 1876, Mr. Dickson was united in marriage with Miss Laura H. Reynolds, the daughter of J. Fuller and Elizabeth (Hancock) Reynolds, the former a native of Plymouth, Pa., and the latter of Kingston, Pa. Mr. Reynolds was an agriculturist and later was interested in the coal business, being the founder of the Dodson Coal Company, of which he served as president. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried at Forty Fort, Pa. They had the following children: H. B., George, L. Jane, Clare, and Laura H. Three daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dickson: Mary Augusta, deceased, was the wife of C. H. Welles, Jr., attorney, a sketch of whom appears in this history; Elizabeth, married Frances M. Reynolds, lives at Winchester, Va.; and Janet, who lives at home.

Mrs. Dickson is a member of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Dalton Women's Club. She still resides at Dalton, where she is loved and esteemed by her many friends and acquaintances.

Leo F. Kelly is a veteran of the World War and a representative young business man of Scranton, where he is manager of the State Theatre. He was born in this city, Oct. 10, 1892, and is the son of Patrick F. and Ellen (Melvin) Kelly.

Both Patrick F. Kelly and his wife were born in Ireland and came to this country when they were very young children. He was a tailor by trade and for many years conducted a successful tailoring establishment on Capouse Avenue, Scranton. He died in 1919 and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery. Mr. Kelly was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic church. His widow lives in Scranton. Four children were born

to Mr. and Mrs. Kelly: George, deceased; Thomas P., lives in Scranton; Leo F., the subject of this sketch; and one child died in infancy.

After completing his schooling in Scranton, Leo F. Kelly was employed in Poli's Theatre as an usher. Later he became assistant manager and was serving in that capacity in October, 1917, when he enlisted for service in the World War. He served in France with Headquarters Company, 311th Field Artillery, 79th Division, with the rank of corporal and was discharged in 1919. Mr. Kelly then returned to Scranton, where he was assistant manager of the Strand Theatre for a short time before accepting his present position with the State Theatre.

Mr. Kelly is a Democrat, a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, and belongs to the Knights of St. George, Holy Name Society, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He is unmarried.

Rev. Thomas M. Jordan, pastor of Church of St. Catherine of Alexandria, Moscow, is highly respected throughout Lackawanna County. He was born at Dunmore, Pa., Oct. 29, 1880, a son of Patrick and Bridget (O'Horo) Jordan.

Both Patrick Jordan and his wife were natives of County Mayo, Ireland, and came to this country during their youth. Their marriage took place at Dunmore, where they spent the remainder of their lives. Mr. Jordan was a miner in the employ of the Pennsylvania Coal Company. He died in 1897 and his widow died in 1920. Both are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunmore. Mr. Jordan held membership in St. Mary's Catholic Church and belonged to the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Jordan, as follows: Patrick, lives at Dunmore; William, an engineer with the Pennsylvania Coal Company; Frank, who is manager of Moosic Lake, Pa.; Rev. Edward, mention of whom is made below; Thomas M., the subject of this sketch; John and Michael, both deceased; Mary, married P. J. Conroy, lives at Dunmore; and Catherine, who is housekeeper for her brother, Rev. Thomas M. Jordan.

Edward Jordan was educated in the public and high schools of Dunmore. He attended St. Thomas College, Scranton, Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmettsburg, Md., and then entered the American College at Rome, Italy, where he received the S. T. D. degree. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1909 in Rome by Cardinal Respighi. Upon his return to the United States Reverend Jordan was a member of the faculty of Mt. St. Mary's College for six years, and then was transferred to Washington, D. C., where he is now assistant professor of Psychology of Education in the Catholic University. He is also secretary of the Sisters College in Washington, and an instructor in Psychology in Trinity College.

Thomas M. Jordan spent his boyhood at Dunmore and in 1898 was graduated from Dunmore High School. Three years later he completed a course at St. Thomas College, Scranton, and then entered Mt. St. Mary's

College, from which he was graduated in 1904 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He received the Master of Arts degree from that college two years later, and prepared for the priesthood at Mt. St. Mary's Ecclesiastical Seminary, being ordained on June 16, 1908, in the college chapel by Bishop Hoban. He was then made assistant to Father Hanley at Honesdale, Pa., and in 1910 was transferred to Plains, Pa., as assistant to Rev. P. J. Colligan, pastor of Sacred Heart Church. The following year Reverend Jordan became chaplain of the Providence Infirmary in the Diocese of Mobile and in 1912 went to Plymouth, Pa., as assistant to Rev. P. J. Colligan, of St. Vincent's Church. In 1921 he was appointed pastor of St. Aloysius Church at Ralston, Pa., and remained there until Sept. 15, 1926, at which date he came to Moscow as pastor of St. Catherine's Church.

Reverend Jordan is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, Council No. 984, 4th degree, being Faithful Navigator of that Assembly, and is president and treasurer of St. Catherine's Cemetery Association.

John Archibald MacFadyen was born in Albany, N. Y., Oct. 1, 1889, the son of John Loudon and Elizabeth (Lithgow) MacFadyen.

John Loudon MacFadyen and Elizabeth Anderson Lithgow, were born in Scotland and after their marriage came to the United States in April, 1887, and took up their residence at Troy, N. Y. Mr. MacFadyen was educated at Wishaw Academy and the University of Glasgow. Prior to coming to this country, he was interested in the iron and steel business in Scotland and was a mechanical engineer by profession. For many years he was attached to the Ordnance Department of the United States government and was identified with this work at the time of his death, Oct. 14, 1922. He is buried at Troy, N. Y. Mr. MacFadyen was a Republican, a Mason and a member of the Presbyterian Church. His widow resides in Philadelphia. There are four children in the MacFadyen family; Catherine C., who married E. L. Feininger and who resides in Schenectady, N. Y., John Archibald, the subject of this sketch, Gilbert Lithgow, who married Miss Lois Burk and resides in Philadelphia and who served with the 303rd Infantry as first lieutenant during the World War, and Loudon Edward, who also resides in Philadelphia.

John Archibald MacFadyen was educated in the schools of New York State and in 1910 he became identified with the Taylor-Wharton Iron & Steel Company of High Bridge, N. J., with which company he is connected at the present time. In May, 1917, he enlisted as a private in the 17th Engineers Railway under Col. John Stephen Sewell and sailed for France on July 26, 1917, where he saw service until April 11, 1919, when his outfit was returned to the United States. On March 1st, 1920, he came to Scranton as sales engineer for the Taylor-Wharton Iron & Steel Company and two years later became sales agent, with offices in Scranton and Philadelphia. Mr. MacFadyen is also president of The

L. J. Bour Refractories Company of Scranton and a director of the Lincoln Trust Company.

On May 31, 1921, Mr. MacFadyen was married to Jessie V. M. Peck, the daughter of Fenwick L. Peck and Jessie V. (Mott) Peck, of Scranton, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. MacFadyen have two children: John Archibald, Jr., born July 10, 1922; and Jessie Elizabeth, born May 20, 1924.

Mr. MacFadyen is a Republican, a member of the Episcopal Church, and belongs to the Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Blooming Grove Hunting & Fishing Club, Pomfret Club of Easton and Chamber of Commerce.

Edward B. Scott, president of the Public Service Coal Company, and a well known business man of Scranton, was born at Dunmore, Pa., May 30, 1878, the son of Michael and Mary (Gallagher) Scott.

Michael Scott was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and was 16 years of age when he emigrated to this country. He later made a return trip to Ireland and brought his parents to Pennsylvania, Edward and Sally Scott. Mr. Scott became a miner and throughout his active career was employed in the coal mines of Lackawanna County. His wife was born in Scranton. Both are deceased and are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunmore. To Mr. and Mrs. Scott the following children were born: James, deceased; Edward B., the subject of this sketch; Michael J., associated with the Pittsburgh Steel Company, lives in Pittsburgh; George, a World War veteran, associated with the Scranton Electric Construction Company; Richard, a World War veteran, associated with the Brooklyn Eagle Publishing Company, lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.; Joseph, a World War veteran, lives at Dunmore; Ella and Jane, who live at Dunmore.

Edward B. Scott was ten years of age when he went to work in the Gypsy Grove breaker as a slate picker. His day's work consisted of nine and one-half hours of labor for which he received fifty cents per day. He later worked as a mule driver in this mine, and then was employed in the Murray, Brown & Jackson mine and at Dunmore. After several years he went to New York City, worked at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel as a silver cleaner, and cigarette boy. He began his business career as a clerk in the employ of the United Shirt Company, and later became their national window trimmer. He remained with this company until the time of the death of his mother, when he returned to Scranton. In 1904 he became a member of the firm of Tierney & Scott, haberdashers. He disposed of his interest to Mr. Tierney in 1908, and at that time formed a partnership with Frank Pierce, in the same line of business, their store being located at 427-31 Spruce Street. In the meantime Mr. Scott organized the Scranton Taylor Coal Company, of which he served as president. In 1921 he opened a mine at Fernwood, in Luzerne County, this business being known as the E. B. Scott Coal Company. He purchased the Marshwood Coal Company in 1925, which was incorporated

as the Public Service Coal Company, Mr. Scott being elected president. He has offices at 404 Linden Street.

In 1918 Mr. Scott married Miss May Hanick, the daughter of Joseph and Mary (Judge) Hanick, the former a native of County Mayo, Ireland, and the latter of Taylor, Pa. Mr. Hanick is a retired lumber dealer and lives in Scranton.

Mr. Scott is a Democrat, a member of St. Peter's Cathedral and belongs to the Holy Name Society, Irish American Society, Elks Lodge, and Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of energy, determination and good business judgment, and his efforts for success have been well rewarded.

Albert N. Sayer, president of the C. P. Van Brunt Manufacturing Company, Moscow, is one of the oldest lumber men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Covington Township, Lackawanna County, Aug. 26, 1855, the son of Horatio N. and Catherine (Fry) Sayer.

Horatio N. Sayer was born aboard ship while his parents were en route to this country from England. He spent his boyhood at Buttonwood, Pa., and was one of the earliest settlers of Turnersville, in Lackawanna County, where he learned the turner's trade. Later in life he engaged in general farming and stock raising and was prominent throughout the county. He was a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. Mr. Sayer died in 1881, and his wife, who was born at Moscow, died in 1888. Both are buried in the Daleville (Pa.) Cemetery. They were the parents of the following children: John F., deceased, was a Civil War veteran; Aaron, died in 1865 from wounds received during the battle of Spottsylvania; George W., deceased, was a Civil War veteran; W. R., lives retired at Moscow, is a Civil War veteran; Albert N., the subject of this sketch; Jane, married Benjamin Nivens, both deceased; Harriet, the widow of Charles Jones, who was killed in service during the Civil War; Elizabeth, married Robert McLain, a Civil War veteran, both deceased; Margaret, deceased, was the wife of Howell G. Stalbird, a Civil War veteran, lives in Scranton; Nelson and Frances, both deceased.

Albert N. Sayer spent his boyhood on his father's farm in Covington Township, and attended the district schools. At an early age he engaged in the lumber business, doing contract woods work. He cut timber and stocked the mills of Covington Township, and in 1896 located at Moscow. Mr. Sayer is a recognized authority on timber throughout this section of Pennsylvania, and is familiar with its history and development. In 1921 he reorganized the C. P. Van Brunt manufacturing Company and at that time was elected president. For many years he was associated with the late W. W. Mathews, lumber dealer, and since Mr. Mathews' death has been in charge of his business interests, with offices in the Coal Exchange Building, Scranton. Mr. Sayer was also one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Moscow. He was one of the promoters of the Moscow

Electric Company, and served as vice president until its merger with the Scranton Electric Company.

Mr. Sayer is a Republican and was president of the borough council for seven years. He also held various township offices. He is a member of the Methodist Church and served as superintendent of the Sunday school of Frytown.

Howard H. Wells, popular garage owner of Fleetville, was born at this place, Aug. 30, 1900, the son of A. Lewis and Clara (Harris) Wells.

A. Lewis Wells, who resides at Fleetville, has spent his entire life in this section and is well known as a building contractor. His wife is also a native of Lackawanna County. Mr. Wells is a Republican, and is serving as constable. He is a trustee of the Methodist Church and belongs to the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. and Mrs. Wells are the parents of five children: Myrtle, married Gordon Longenberger, lives at Waverly, Pa.; Myron, a veteran of the World War, having served in France with the 56th Coast Artillery, lives in Scranton; Howard H., the subject of this sketch; Thelma, lives at home; and Alston, deceased.

Howard H. Wells has always lived at Fleetville. He attended the public schools and for a short time engaged in farming. In 1919 he went to Endicott, N. Y., where he was employed for a short time by the Endicott Forging Company. Upon his return to Fleetville he became associated with his uncle, E. H. Ridgway. Since 1923 Mr. Wells has been interested in the garage business and is authorized Ford dealer at this place. He does general repair work and deals in automobile accessories.

Politically Mr. Wells is a Republican. He is affiliated with Nicholson Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 438, of which he is junior deacon. He also belongs to the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

William J. Corcoran, M. D.—Among the prominent medical practitioners of Lackawanna County, William J. Corcoran, of Old Forge, holds an important place. He was born here, April 4, 1895, the son of John P. and Catherine (Hayes) Corcoran.

John P. Corcoran, who is superintendent of the Jermyn and Suffolk mines, is well known throughout this section. He was born at Dorchester, England, and in early youth came to this country with his parents. He has been associated with the coal mines of Pennsylvania for many years, having started at the bottom as a slate picker. He advanced through the various stages until he attained his present responsible position. Mr. Corcoran is a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church, and has served as a member of the local school board for 32 years. His wife was born in Myrthyr, Tidville, Wales. She died Jan. 6, 1925, and is buried at Minooka. To Mr. and Mrs. Corcoran eight children were born,

as follows: Thomas, insurance, lives at Old Forge; Nora, married John J. Joyce, who is principal of Old Forge High School; Catherine, lives at home; William J., the subject of this sketch; Mary, a teacher, Old Forge High School; Margaret, in religious life Sister Miriam Catherine, Immaculate Heart of Mary Order; Dr. John H., dentist with offices in Scranton and lives at Old Forge; and Alice, in religion Sister Mary Annette, Immaculate Heart of Mary Order.

After his graduation from Old Forge High School in 1910, William J. Corcoran entered St. Thomas College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1914. He spent the following year at the University of Pennsylvania, where he specialized in the study of biology, and the following year entered Georgetown University. He received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1919 and served as interne at the State Hospital, Scranton, and the Allentown General Hospital. Since 1921 he has engaged in general practice at Old Forge. He is a member of the staff of Taylor Hospital.

Dr. Corcoran is a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Holy Name Society, Irish American Society, American Legion, Knights of Columbus, and Phi Chi fraternity. He is identified with the Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania State, and American Medical Associations.

During the World War Dr. Corcoran was attached to the Student Army Training Corps at Georgetown University, Washington.

John W. Shepherd, owner of the Laurel Hill Nurseries, and one of the most prominent specialists in home-grown nursery stock, is a leading citizen of Scranton. Besides his nurseries in Scranton, Mr. Shepherd operates nurseries at Dunmore, Chinchilla, Peckville, Pa., and Penn Yan, N. Y. His Scranton headquarters are at 948 Clay Avenue.

John W. Shepherd was born at Penn Yan, N. Y., Jan. 12, 1875, the son of John Wesley and Mary (Blausett) Shepherd. His father, who died in 1876, was a prosperous farmer of New York, being the owner of 106 acres of land near Penn Yan. There were three children in the Shepherd family: Mrs. Ella Barnes, lives at Penn Yan; John W., the subject of this sketch; and Minnie Alice, a teacher, in the public schools of Wyoming, N. Y.

John W. Shepherd spent his boyhood on the farm and attended the public schools of Penn Yan. He later enrolled at Cornell University, where he specialized in the study of horticulture. He then came to Scranton. Mr. Shepherd has engaged in business for himself in this city for more than 30 years, and is a recognized authority on nursery stock. Many fine examples of his artistic landscape work may be found in Scranton.

On Oct. 5, 1897, Mr. Shepherd married Miss Anna M. House, the daughter of Lieutenant Commander House, who served three years in China. He is now deceased and his widow resides at Penn Yan. Mr. and Mrs. Shepherd have two children: Ruth, married Joseph P. Ragland,

lives in Washington, D. C.; and John Jerome, attends Scranton Technical High School.

Mr. Shepherd spends each winter at St. Petersburg, Fla., where he has real estate holdings, as well as in Scranton.

Michael Bosak, bank president, who has been prominent in American advance for the past 40 years or thereabouts, was born in Czecho-Slovakia, Dec. 10, 1869, and is a son of Michael and Anna (Tokarsky) Bosak. His education was received in the public schools of his native town, which he attended until 1881, then worked on his father's farm for some five years. Coming to the United States in 1886, he secured a position in the mines at Hazelton, Pa., and there for two years worked as a breaker boy. Then for about one year he served as timekeeper on a line of railroad through this state, and early in 1890 entered the employ of a general store in Freeland, Pa., serving in the capacity of clerk for about three years. During the early period of his activity in America, Mr. Bosak practiced the thrift and industry which seem natural characteristics of the youth of European training and traditions, thereby gaining a foothold in his adopted territory. In 1893 he established himself in mercantile interests in Olyphant, Pa., and after four years of activity along this line entered his present field.

Thus it was in 1897 that Michael Bosak founded the institution for some time known as the Michael Bosak Private Bank, now the Bosak State Bank, of Scranton. In the early years of its history, this enterprise included, as it still does, steamship and foreign exchange agency, and the business done reached large proportions. Mr. Bosak's natural ability and tireless attention to the responsibilities entrusted to him are well appraised in the great success of the institution which has gone forward under his direction. The concern has always reached all the trans-Atlantic steamship lines as well as the coastwise service in America, and pays particular attention to the needs and problems of foreigners coming to American shores as homeseekers. Mr. Bosak's keen interest in every phase of American progress and his personal knowledge of conditions in this realm give his activities special and constructive significance, and his work for the Americanization of the newcomers has great value.

The Bosak State Bank, as it is now operated and known, was organized in November, 1915, and was the direct outgrowth of the Michael Bosak Private Bank. At the date mentioned, the capital stock was \$100,000, with a surplus of \$10,000, but within the period of over a decade which has since elapsed, the capital has been increased to \$500,000, and the surplus to \$500,000. The books of the institution now show undivided profits of \$290,000, while \$5,700,000 stand on deposit. At the organization of the bank, stock was issued at \$50 per share as a par value, the public absorbing it promptly at \$55 per share. The market value of this stock today is \$300 per share. The bank paid a dividend of

4 per cent at the end of the first year of business, and a gradual increase has been in effect year by year, until now (since 1923) it is paying 12 per cent. The officers of the institution are as follows: Michael Bosak, president; Edward A. Bosak, vice-president; George Munchak, vice-president; J. O. Batyko, cashier; J. H. Puczykowski, assistant cashier; James A. Doherty, secretary; and John Galbavy, manager of the Foreign Department.

Other branches of financial and general interests have commanded a share of Michael Bosak's attention, and he has done constructive work in various lines. He is a director of the Scranton-Lackawanna Trust Company, was an organizer and for some years president of the Pennsylvania Bank and Trust Company, of Wilkes-Barre. He was one of the organizers and is a director and president of the First National Bank of Olyphant, Pa., and organized and is still president of the Bosak Realty Company, an interest of wide importance in its field. He is president of the Miners Savings Bank, of Olyphant, Pa. He is a Democrat in political convictions and a worker for the good of the party. During the World War he served on the many home endeavors of the period, and was particularly active on the Liberty Loan committees. He served one term on the Olyphant Council, and his religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church. For 15 years he was treasurer of the First Catholic Slovak Union of the United States of America, and for six years served as chairman of the Finance Committee of that organization.

Michael Bosak married Susanna Hudak, daughter of John Hudak, a native of the present Czecho-Slovakia, and they are the parents of four children: Mary, wife of Julius Stronczer; Michael, the fifth generation of the family bearing that name; Josephine (Mrs. John Zychowicz); and Francis.

Ira W. Travis, popular young business man of Fleetville, is a veteran of the World War. He was born in Benton Township, Lackawanna County, Dec. 4, 1896, a son of Leland H. and Etta M. (Phillips) Travis.

Leland H. Travis, who is successfully engaged in general farming and stock raising in Benton Township, is a native of that section. He followed farming until 1912, at which time he engaged in the grocery business, in partnership with his son, the business being known as L. H. Travis & Son. The store was sold to Gowe Brothers in 1921, and since that time Mr. Travis has operated a farm of 76 acres in Benton Township, where he specializes in dairying. Mr. Travis is a Democrat. There are two children in the Travis family: Ira W., the subject of this sketch; and Mildred M., married Charles Van Vleet, who is connected with the Woodlaw Dairy Company, Scranton.

R. W. Travis attended the public schools of Benton Township and spent his boyhood on his father's farm. He began his business career as a teaming contractor, and in 1912 became associated with his father

as above mentioned. From 1921 until 1923 Mr. Travis operated 28 acres of land in Benton Township. Since March, 1926, he has engaged in the general mercantile business at Fleetville. He also deals in feed and grain and is a live stock dealer. In August, 1927, he purchased a farm of 50 acres in Lenox Township, Susquehanna County.

Mr. Travis is a Democrat, and is affiliated with Nicholson Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 438.

During the World War Mr. Travis enlisted in the U. S. Motor Mechanic Corps and was sent to the University of Pittsburgh for instruction. Later he was transferred to Camp Jackson, S. Car., and attached to the 60th Field Artillery. He was discharged from service, Feb. 6, 1919.

Leon Michel Levy.—One of the best known of the attorneys of Lackawanna County is Leon Michel Levy, who is successfully engaged in the practice of his profession in Scranton, with offices in the Scranton Life Building. He was born at Carbondale, Pa., Feb. 19, 1882, and is the son of Michel and Rebecca Levy.

Michel Levy was born in Alsace-Lorraine, of French descent, and for many years was a representative business man of Scranton, where he engaged in the dry goods business. He is now deceased. His widow, also a native of Alsace-Lorraine, resides in Scranton.

After completing his early schooling in Scranton, Leon Michel Levy spent two years at Princeton University, and while a student there was enrolled in a class in constitutional government under the late President Woodrow Wilson, who was at that time president of the university. Mr. Levy later attended the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received his degree in 1906. He was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County, Oct. 8, 1906, and has since been associated in practice with his brother, R. L. Levy.

Mr. Levy is active in local politics and is a Democrat. He was president of the Central Democrat Club of Scranton for several years and served as a member and officer of the Executive Committee of the Scranton and Lackawanna County Democratic Committees. In 1912 he served as first vice-president of the Federation of Democratic Clubs of Pennsylvania and also was vice-president of the Woodrow Wilson League in Pennsylvania. He was a member of the Democratic State Committee for three years and has served as a delegate to several Democratic state conventions. He served as solicitor for Sheriff Reap from 1922 until 1926.

As solicitor for Sheriff Reap, Mr. Levy acted as chief counsel in the somewhat celebrated case in which Sheriff Reap and his chief deputy, John McLane, received substantial fines for contempt of court for refusing to serve certain orders issued by Judge Maxey during the aftermath of a heated political campaign during the fall election of 1925. After Sheriff Reap had been fined \$500 for contempt of court, he appealed the case to

the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, where Mr. Levy argued this case, which is probably the only one on record in the judicial records of Pennsylvania in which a sheriff or other elective officer of a county has been cited for contempt of court because of failure to serve the orders of one of the judges of his county court.

Mr. Levy is identified with the Lackawanna County Bar Association, the Pennsylvania State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He holds membership in the Madison Avenue Temple, and is a director of the Jewish Federation of Charities, chairman of the Legal Aid Committee of the Jewish Federation of Charities, and a director of the Young Men's Hebrew Association. He also belongs to the Elks Lodge and Fox Hill Country Club, of which he is a member of the Board of Governors. Mr. Levy served as captain for several years of one of the active teams of the Community Chest Fund and as treasurer of the Council of Social Agencies. His interest in all charitable organizations in the city has always been noteworthy.

A unique and noteworthy compliment was paid Mr. Levy during the primary election of 1928, at which election delegates were chosen to the National Convention of the Republican and Democratic parties. A month before the primary was held, four candidates, including Mr. Levy, had filed their papers as candidates for national delegate. On March 19th, 1928, the three opposing candidates signed and published in the daily press a round robin letter addressed to the voters of the county in which they expressed their belief and conviction that of the four candidates, Mr. Levy was the one candidate whose election should be assured, in order to promote the best interests of the candidate for President to whom they were all pledged, Governor Smith, of New York. This letter to the public closed with an urgent appeal from these three candidates to their friends, asking them to vote for Mr. Levy and assure his election. This is probably one of the only cases on record in Pennsylvania, or in the country at large, where a candidate for office received the unanimous endorsement of the men who were opposing him for the office to which he aspired.

Thomas P. Joyce.—In the death of Prof. Thomas P. Joyce, which occurred April 21, 1922, Minooka lost one of its most highly respected and admired residents and the Lackawanna Valley and Northeastern Pennsylvania one of its most prominent educators. He was principal of Minooka High School for 52 years, and during his long service as a teacher turned out many scholars who today stand high in the mercantile, professional, industrial and other walks of life. Mr. Joyce was an authority on Irish history and the Gaelic language.

Thomas P. Joyce was born in Ireland and came to America when a boy of nine years. He was the son of Patrick and Catherine (Donahue) Joyce, early settlers of Minooka. They were the parents of the following children: Mary, the widow of Thomas Connell, lives at Providence, R. I.;

Anna, married Thomas Thornton, both deceased; Catherine, the widow of Anthony McDonough, lives at Columbus, Ohio; Bridget, married Martin Joyce, lives at 311 Pittston Avenue, Minooka; and Thomas P., the subject of this sketch. Catherine (Donahue) Joyce died in 1912 at the age of 93 years and is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka.

Thomas P. Joyce was graduated from Wyoming Seminary and shortly afterwards became a teacher in the schools of Minooka. Following the resignation of the late A. F. O'Boyle, Mr. Joyce assumed the principalship of Minooka High School, in which capacity he served for more than half a century. His chief aim from the time he assumed the direction of the Minooka schools was to make them the best in Northeastern Pennsylvania, and in this he was successful beyond his realization. It was due to the efforts of Mr. Joyce that Minooka Township erected a 12-room school building a few years ago.

In 1894 Mr. Joyce was married to Miss Catherine O'Brien, who was born in Columbus, Ohio, in 1867, the daughter of John O'Brien, a native of Ireland. Mr. O'Brien died in 1905 and his wife died in 1900. They are buried at Columbus, Ohio. Mr. O'Brien was a Civil War veteran. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Joyce: Mary, a member of the faculty of Woodrow Wilson High School, Minooka; Frances, connected with the South Side Bank, Scranton; and Gerald, a World War veteran, lives at Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. Joyce was a Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. He is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka.

M. M. Ruddy, deceased, was well and favorably known among the pioneer merchants of Scranton, where he was the founder of the wholesale grocery firm which bears his name. He was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and emigrated to the United States in the early sixties.

Mr. Ruddy spent several years at Hawley, Pa., where he was employed on the old canal. He then removed to Pittston, Pa., and became a salesman for Ross & Company in charge of the Lackawanna territory. Later he came to Scranton and entered the employ of Mooney & Pugh, cracker manufacturers. After several years he went with Thomas Dale, wholesale grocer, and in 1872 established a wholesale grocery business on Franklin Avenue, which has since been known as the M. M. Ruddy. The business was later moved to Lackawanna Avenue on the present site of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad station, which was purchased from Mr. Ruddy by the railroad company. In 1889 he built the present home at 6 Lackawanna Avenue, and Mr. Ruddy continued as head of this enterprising business until the time of his death, which occurred in 1913. He is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. The business has continued under the able management of Mr. Ruddy's son, M. M. Ruddy.

Mr. Ruddy married Miss Bridget Haggerty, a native of County Mayo, Ireland. She died in 1922 and is buried in Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton.

To M. M. and Bridget (Haggerty) Ruddy were born six children: Mary, Catherine, John, Sarah, M. M., Jr., and James.

Mr. Ruddy was always a Democrat and held membership in Holy Cross Catholic Church. He was a substantial citizen of the community and highly esteemed by all who knew him.

M. M. Ruddy was born in Scranton, April 22, 1887, and has spent his entire life in this city.

Stanley J. Davis, president of the City Council, is a prosperous merchant of Scranton, where he is proprietor of Providence Market, at 126 West Market Street. He was born in Scranton, Jan. 14, 1889, and is the son of George B. and Mary (Evans) Davis.

George B. Davis, a highly esteemed and substantial citizen of Scranton, is a native of Wales. He was born in 1855 and spent his early youth in the coal mines of his native land. When he was about 16 years of age his family came to the United States and settled in North Scranton. Mr. Davis entered the employ of the Hudson Coal Company, and worked in its mines for more than half a century. Since 1922 he has served as custodian of the North Scranton Police Station. He is a Republican, a member of the Congregational Church, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife was born in Wales in 1861. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis were born four children, three of whom are living: Bert, lives in Scranton; William B., lives in Scranton; and Stanley J., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his schooling in the public schools of Scranton, Stanley J. Davis went to work in the mines of the Hudson Coal Company. He later clerked in the grocery store of George A. Dickinson, afterward becoming associated in the grocery business with E. M. Casterline. In 1913 Mr. Davis established a meat business at 1823 Wayne Street, and three years later opened his present store, to which he has annexed several pieces of land in the past few years. He has one of the up-to-date markets of the city and deals in high-grade merchandise exclusively.

In 1911 Mr. Davis was married to Miss Ethel Buckland, the daughter of Ward Buckland, deceased.

Mr. Davis is a Republican and in 1921 was elected as a member of the City Council. He was re-elected to this office in 1925 and was made president of the council in January, 1926.

Mr. Davis is a member of the Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Malta, Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge, Lions Club, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Craftsmen's Club, and Chamber of Commerce. He is president of the Retail Merchants' Association of Scranton, vice-president of the Pennsylvania State Retail Merchants' Association, and president of the Retail and Wholesale Merchants' Credit Association. He is also identified with the North Scranton Republican Club.

Seth Whitney Shoemaker is prominent among the successful business men of Scranton, where he is vice-president of the International Textbook Company. He was born at Wilmington, Del., Feb. 25, 1885, and is the son of James Henry and Ellen (Cleland) Shoemaker.

James Henry Shoemaker, deceased, was a native of Wilmington, Del., where he spent his entire life. He was well known in the community and prominent in civic affairs. His widow lives at Plandome, Long Island, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker had three children: Nellie, married Charles E. Lawrence, lives at 60 Stone Road, Belmont, Mass.; James M., lives at Plandome, Long Island, N. Y.; and Seth Whitney, the subject of this sketch.

Seth Whitney Shoemaker grew up in Wilmington, Del., and later lived at Boston, Mass., and Ithaca, N. Y. He was graduated from Ithaca High School and in 1908 received his degree from Cornell University. Mr. Shoemaker spent several years on a farm and began his business career with the International Textbook Company and International Correspondence Schools. He has held his present position as vice-president of the firm since Nov. 15, 1909.

On Nov. 11, 1909, Mr. Shoemaker was united in marriage with Miss Amelia E. Wilgus, of Ithaca, N. Y., the daughter of John M. and Carrie (Thompson) Wilgus, residents of Ithaca. They have a son, John Wilgus Shoemaker, born May 2, 1914.

Politically, Mr. Shoemaker is a Republican and he has served as a director of the Scranton School Board. He is a member of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Scranton Club and Rotary Club. He is commissioner of the Scranton Council, Boy Scouts of America. The Shoemaker residence is at 827 Electric Street.

Oscar Kleeman, one of Scranton's substantial and leading citizens, is president of the Household Outfitting Company. He was born at Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 13, 1873, the son of Louis and Clara Kleeman.

Louis Kleeman, deceased, was a native of Germany, and an early settler of Columbus, Ohio, where he spent his boyhood and later engaged in business. He was associated in the wholesale grocery business with his brother, Moses Kleeman, and later became interested in a retail jewelry business. He lived retired in Scranton, Pa., several years before his death. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kleeman are buried at Scranton, Pa. They were the parents of the following children: William, retired, lives at Syracuse, N. Y.; George, retired, lives at Springfield, Ohio; Joseph, deceased; Cecelia, lives at Scranton; Jacob, deceased; Edward, lives at Syracuse; Max L., lives at Springfield, Ohio; Emma, married Sam H. Frank, lives at Scranton; and Oscar, the subject of this sketch.

Oscar Kleeman was reared and educated in Cincinnati, and after completing his high school course engaged in the furniture business in that city, in partnership with his brother Edward. Later he was associated

in business with his brothers, Jacob and William, in Springfield, Ohio. In 1901, Mr. Kleeman located in Scranton, and in March, 1902, founded the Household Outfitting Company, which was located at 322 Lackawanna Avenue. In 1925 the business was incorporated and Mr. Kleeman was elected president. The new store building, which was erected in 1924, is an eight-story structure, and is one of the city's fine shops. Mr. Kleeman is also president of the Associated Furniture Corporation, which controls 14 furniture houses in the United States.

In 1907 Mr. Kleeman was married to Miss Blanche Wineman, the daughter of Joseph Wineman, deceased. He was a leading merchant of Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Kleeman have two children, Gladys and Louis.

Mr. Kleeman holds membership in the Madison Avenue Temple, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scout Council of Scranton, B'nai B'rith, and is a director of the Young Men's Hebrew Association.

Alfred Milton Baker, retired, has been prominently identified with the business interests of Scranton for many years. He was born at Clarkston, Mich., Oct. 26, 1879, a son of Alfred Marshall and Josephine (Wetherby) Baker.

Alfred Marshall Baker was the son of John and Nancy (Callander) Baker. John Baker was a native of Vermont, and at an early age removed to Pennsylvania and settled at Clifford. Later he lived in Scranton, where he engaged in the livery business. For several years he ran a stage between Factoryville and Tunkhannock. Nancy (Callander) Baker was a descendant of Samuel Callander, a Revolutionary soldier who fought with Gen. George Washington. To Mr. and Mrs. Baker the following children were born: Alfred Marshall, Herbert L., Julietta, Adelaide, Bowman, and Emma, all deceased.

Alfred Marshall Baker was born in Susquehanna County, Pa., July 20, 1835. For a number of years he was associated in business with W. S. Courtright, and later was a traveling representative for a Detroit shoe manufacturer. He then purchased a farm in Michigan, where he resided until 1884. He spent the remainder of his life in Pennsylvania, and died in March, 1914. His wife died in October, 1924. Both are buried in Hickory Grove Cemetery, Waverly, Pa. Josephine (Wetherby) Baker was the daughter of John Milton and Hulda (Phillips) Wetherby. Mr. Wetherby was a prominent stock raiser and agriculturist. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in Scott Township, on the old Wetherby farm. To Alfred Marshall and Josephine (Wetherby) Baker were born three children: Helen Josephine, lives at Dalton; John E., retired, married Phyllis Tacket, lives at Pontiac, Mich.; and Alfred Milton, the subject of this sketch.

Alfred Milton Baker attended the public and high schools of Scranton and Keystone Academy. His first business connection was with the Ala-

morgordo Lumber Company, at Alamorgordo, N. M. In 1906 he returned to Scranton, where he was employed in the clerical department of the International Correspondence Schools. Two years later he took over the agency of the Hupmobile automobile in Scranton, which he successfully retained until May, 1917, when the Bates Motor Car Company was incorporated. He is now a stockholder. From 1919 until 1922 he was distribution agent in Scranton for the Kelvinator Domestic Refrigerator, being the first business of its kind in the city. Mr. Baker disposed of this interest to Smith & Howley.

Mr. Baker is a Republican and for eight years has served as a member of the Dalton Council. He also belongs to the Waverly Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 301, past master in 1912; Factoryville Chapter, R. A. M., No. 205; and Melita Commandery, K. T., No. 68. He is also a member of the Dalton Men's Club. Mr. Baker is a resident of Dalton.

Samuel H. Bevan is well and favorably known in Scranton, where he is serving as a member of the City Council. He is also one of the city's enterprising and progressive business men, engaged in the electrical contracting business. Mr. Bevan was born in Scranton, Sept. 27, 1888, and is the son of John M. and Margaret (Argust) Bevan.

John M. Bevan, deceased, was a substantial citizen of Scranton. He was born in South Wales and as a boy worked in the coal mines of his native land. About 1880 he came to the United States and located in Scranton. He entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Wheeling Railroad in the Archbald mine and remained with this company until the time of his retirement. Mr. Bevan died in 1905 and is buried in the Washburn Street Cemetery. He was a Republican, a member of the First Welsh Baptist Church, and Knights of the Golden Eagle. His widow, also born in Wales, resides in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Bevan 12 children were born, as follows: Morgan, Jane, and Mary, all deceased, buried in South Wales; Morgan, 2nd, lives in Scranton; Frank, lives in Scranton; Jane, married Rev. M. H. Jones, pastor of the Water Street Baptist Church, Pittston, Pa.; Thomas, lives in Scranton; Annie, married William X. Williams, lives in Scranton; David, lives in Scranton; Evan, deceased, buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton; Samuel H., the subject of this sketch; and Hayden, deceased, buried in Washburn Street Cemetery, Scranton.

Samuel H. Bevan spent his boyhood in Scranton and entered the coal mines of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a breaker boy when he was 11 years of age. He was afforded little schooling but took advantage of the little opportunity afforded him and studied at home. He learned the electrical trade in the mines and in 1914 resigned his position in the Sloane mine, where he had complete charge of all electric apparatus, and became chief electrician for the Scranton School Board. Ten years later he resigned from this position and established his present

electrical business at 2008 Washburn Street, Hyde Park. Mr. Bevan has taken extension work from Pennsylvania State College in the study of electrical engineering and now holds a certificate to teach in Pennsylvania.

On June 9, 1909, Mr. Bevan was united in marriage with Miss Ella Seymour, the daughter of Harry C. and Emily (Steed) Seymour, the former a native of England and the latter of Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Seymour reside in Scranton.

Mr. Bevan is a Republican and has always been prominent in local politics. He was a candidate for membership in the Pennsylvania State Legislature in 1916, and has served as a member of the City Council since January, 1924. He is a member of the Jackson Street Baptist Church and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, Eagles Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Craftsmen Club. He is also a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. Mr. Bevan has always been widely known throughout the city in musical circles and is soloist of the Washburn Street Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Irwin W. Severson is one of Scranton's prominent physicians and surgeons, where he is also serving as city bacteriologist. He was born at Smyrna, N. Y., May 10, 1880, the son of Rev. Oscar L. and Ellen (Sanders) Severson.

Rev. Oscar L. Severson, deceased, was a native of Binghamton, N. Y., born in 1842. He was the son of Rev. George and Helen (Hogan) Severson. The family is of Holland descent and traces its ancestry to William the Silent, Prince of Nassau. The family settled in New York State at an early date, where both Rev. George and his son, Rev. Oscar L., were prominent ministers of the Methodist Church. The latter was also well known throughout the Wyoming Conference, being active as a preacher for 41 years. He served as pastor of a congregation at Plymouth, Pa., for five years; at West Pittston, Pa., for eight years; at Simpson Church, West Scranton, for three years; and at Oneonta, N. Y., for several years. During the Civil War Rev. Severson served in the Union army as a member of Company E, 137th New York Volunteer Infantry, and participated in the battles of Gettysburg, Frederickburg and Lookout Mountain. He was an active member of Ezra H. Griffin Post No. 139, Grand Army of the Republic, of which he served as chaplain. Reverend Severson retired in 1918, and died Oct. 13, 1924. He is buried at Dunmore, Pa. His widow resides in Scranton. To Reverend and Mrs. Severson three children were born: Mabel, lives at home; Oscar Melvern, civil engineer, lives at Cleveland, Ohio; and Irwin W., the subject of this sketch.

Irwin W. Severson was graduated from Wyoming Seminary in 1900, spent the following two years at Wesleyan University, and in 1906 received his degree as Doctor of Medicine from Columbia University. He served as interne of the Methodist Hospital at Brooklyn, N. Y., for one year, and in 1907 established his present practice in Scranton. In January, 1918,

Doctor Severson was appointed city bacteriologist by Mayor Connell, was reappointed in 1922 by Mayor J. Durkin, and again reappointed in 1926 by Mayor E. B. Jermyn. Besides his extensive private practice he is also pathologist and secretary of the staff of the West Side Hospital, Scranton.

In 1909 Doctor Severson was married to Miss Sophia Jane Kyte, the daughter of Frank H. and Hettie (Smith) Kyte. Mr. Kyte is deceased and his widow resides at Harrisburg, Pa. To Doctor and Mrs. Severson have been born two children: Wendell, a graduate of Central High School, attends St. Thomas College; and Dorothy Jane, attends Scranton Technical High School.

Doctor Severson is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and American Medical Association. He is a Republican, a member of Simpson Methodist Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge.

Christian C. Demmy, Jr.—A substantial citizen and enterprising and dependable business man of Scranton is found in Christian C. Demmy, Jr., who is president of the Demmy Oil Company. He was born at Bainbridge, Lancaster County, Pa., March 24, 1886, the son of Christian C. and Mary Catherine (Ruthruaff) Demmy.

Christian C. Demmy, Sr., a native of Elizabethtown, Pa., is now a resident of Bainbridge, where he is extensively engaged in the dairy business. He spent more than 40 years as a grower and packer of leaf tobacco and was widely known throughout Lancaster County. His wife was born at Bainbridge, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Demmy have the following children: Laura, married Wayne Dussinger, lives at Bainbridge; Naomi M., assistant principal of Bainbridge High School; Maurice C., superintendent of Lititz School, Lancaster County, Pa.; Minnie R., lives at home; and Christian C., Jr., the subject of this sketch.

Christian C. Demmy spent his boyhood at Bainbridge and was educated in the schools of Lobata and Bainbridge. He worked in his father's tobacco fields during his youth, and after his graduation from high school in 1906 he attended Pennsylvania Business College. He began his business career as a bookkeeper and stenographer for an insurance broker in Philadelphia, and in the fall of 1908 became identified with the Gulf Refining Company as a clerk in the Philadelphia office. Two years later he became a salesman for the company, and in the spring of 1914 was made manager of the Lakewood (N. J.) distributing plant. In September of that year he was transferred to Scranton as local manager for the company. Mr. Demmy resigned March 1, 1925, at which time the Demmy Oil Company was organized. It was incorporated in June, 1925, with the following officers: Christian C. Demmy, Jr., president and secretary; and M. T. Noble, vice president and treasurer. The company are local distributors of Veedol motor oils and greases, and Tydol gasoline. Their plant is located on Greenridge Street.

On Sept. 14, 1914, Mr. Demmy was married to Miss Florence Mae Hortman, of Philadelphia, the daughter of Isaac and Nellie (Howell) Hortman, natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Hortman reside in Philadelphia, where he was well known for many years as a building contractor. Mr. and Mrs. Demmy have a son, Richard Hortman Demmy, born June 2, 1922.

Mr. Demmy is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge, thirty-second degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, League of Masonic Clubs, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Patriotic Order Sons of America, and Y. M. C. A. He is a charter member of the Kiwanis Club and holds membership in the Aerial Club, Chamber of Commerce, Sportsmen League of Pennsylvania, Commercial Association of Scranton, and Wynyoska Hunting Lodge.

Clarence P. Wynne.—Active and progressive in business, Clarence P. Wynne is prominent in Scranton, where he is president of the Munyon Remedy Company and a director of the Gas Refrigeration Corporation. He was born in Philadelphia, Oct. 13, 1876, and is a son of Thomas and Sarah L. (Millar) Wynne.

Thomas Wynne was born in Philadelphia in 1849 and died in 1923. He was well known in that city as a heating engineer and conducted a business there until his retirement in 1903. His wife was born in Philadelphia in 1850 and died in 1882. Mr. Wynne was a Republican and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Clarence P., the subject of this sketch, was their only child.

Clarence P. Wynne spent his boyhood in Philadelphia and attended the public schools. In 1898 he engaged in the real estate and insurance business, which he continued for 16 years. By close application to business, strict probity and sympathetic interests in the affairs of his patrons, he acquired a most enviable reputation and had the respect of all with whom he came into business relations. In 1914 Mr. Wynne became interested in manufacturing and has since devoted himself exclusively to the interests of the Munyon Remedy Company. He was made vice president in 1918, and two years later the business was moved to Scranton. In 1922 he was elected president of the company.

The Munyon Remedy Company was founded in 1892 by Dr. J. M. Munyon of Philadelphia, who died in 1918. The patent medicines manufactured by this concern are known throughout the world and have a wide sale.

Mr. Wynne was married in 1909 to Mrs. Elizabeth Graham, who had two children by her first marriage, Harriet P., and Gladys T.

Mr. Wynne is a member of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution, of which he is past president. He also holds membership in the Scranton Chamber of Commerce, Aero Club of America, Aero Club of Pennsylvania,

Travel Club of America, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Penn Athletic Club, Philadelphia Yacht Club, Harvey Cedars Club, Shawnee Country Club, Lackawanna Kennel Club, and Pennsylvania Society of New York. He is a Republican, and is affiliated with St. John's Lodge, No. 115, F. and A. M., Philadelphia Consistory, thirty-second degree, and LuLu Temple, Philadelphia. His hobbies are dogs and horses.

Fred C. Fabretti, deputy sheriff, is among the progressive men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Italy, July 4th, 1887, the son of Ettore and Filiberta (Nanni) Fabretti.

The father died in Italy in 1901, and the mother, a descendant of Ottaviano Nanni, grand treasurer of the Ordine of S. Stefano in 1593 in Italy, resides at Rochester, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Fabretti were the parents of four children, their only son being Fred Ceaser Fabretti, the subject of this sketch.

After spending his boyhood in his native land, Fred C. Fabretti came to this country in 1906. He settled at Throop, where he owned and conducted a barber shop for several years. From 1918 till 1926 he held the office of chief of police of Throop. From 1926 till 1928 he held the office of burgess of the same town. He is a director of the Throop State Bank.

In 1912 Mr. Fabretti married Miss Rose Clark, a native of Wales, who came to the United States in 1905. Mr. and Mrs. Fabretti have a son, Arthur Hector, born in 1913.

Mr. Fabretti is a Republican, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Fraternal Aid Union, Volentier Throop Hose Company No. 1, and Italian Columbus Society.

The Scranton-Nash Motor Company, which is located at 1136-1140 Wyoming Avenue, was incorporated in December, 1923, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with the following officers: George B. Nicol, president; H. M. Warren, treasurer; and W. E. Duncklee, secretary.

Mr. Nicol was formerly associated with the Hudson Coal Company of Scranton, Mr. Warren with the International Correspondence School, and Mr. Duncklee was interested in the automobile business in this city.

The company deals exclusively in Nash cars and are distributors for the following counties in Pennsylvania: Lackawanna, Wayne, Pike, Susquehanna and Wyoming. They have 12 associate dealers.

A new building was erected by the company in Scranton in 1927, which was ready for occupancy on October 1st, 1928. It is a one-story structure, 80x120 feet, and employs 15 men. Service is rendered exclusively to Nash owners.

To give the motoring public the very ultimate in beauty, in luxury, in quality, and in performance, at the lowest possible price is the principle

and the practice of Nash manufacturing effort. Faithful observance of this policy since the inception of the company has earned for the product a whole-hearted and world-wide esteem.

In 1927 Nash presented three entirely new lines of motor cars—the New Advanced Six, Special Six, and Standard Six Series. They embrace an imposing array of 24 superb interpretations of the very finest in motor car style. And mechanically they mark so advanced a stage of refinement that their performance is utterly without an equal in their price fields.

In these models Nash sets a new manufacturing criterion for cars of this field in the closeness of its precision practice, in the painstaking care and infinite thoroughness evidenced in every detail of construction, and in the costly qualities of its materials. Despite the variations in size and price between the cars of the three lines, the same identically high Nash standard of quality prevails throughout, from the lowest to the highest priced model.

James Turnbull.—One of the substantial citizens of Dunmore is James Turnbull, who is superintendent of the Forest Hill Cemetery. He was born in Scotland, April 23, 1859, the son of James and Agnes (Hughes) Turnbull.

James Turnbull, deceased, was a well known and highly esteemed citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in Scotland in 1833, and died in 1919. Mr. Turnbull came to the United States in 1869 and settled at North Orange, N. J., later removing to Scranton, where he was employed as a laborer and road builder by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. On Sept. 10, 1874, he accepted the position of superintendent of Forest Hill Cemetery, Dunmore, and served in that capacity continuously for 45 years. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife, who was born in Scotland in 1832, died in 1909. Both are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery. To Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull five children were born: James, the subject of this sketch; Agnes, born in 1866, died in 1904; Janet, the widow of James Hadden, lives at Dunmore; Mary, the widow of George Haddow, lives at Dunmore; and Ellen, the widow of William J. Pettigrew, lives at Dunmore.

James Turnbull was educated in the schools of his native land and came to this country with his mother in 1870. He worked on the Dodge breakers for a short time, after which he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He was in a railroad wreck, Nov. 7, 1872, when his train was wrecked at the spot known as "The Notch." At this time seven people were killed and 19 injured. Later, in 1876, he retired from railroading, after losing his leg in a serious accident at the Bellview breakers. He then became interested in the monument business, being associated for two years with Fred Lehr, at Green Ridge, Pa. He spent ten years with the Owens Brothers Monu-

mental Works, after which he served as assistant to his father, who was superintendent of Forest Hill Cemetery. Mr. Turnbull was appointed superintendent following the death of his father in 1919.

In February, 1910, Mr. Turnbull married Miss Mary Tyler, the daughter of Denison and Lucy (Ladd) Tyler, both deceased. Mr. Tyler was a veteran of the Civil War, and a member of the oldest family at Ararat Summit, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull have a son, James Denison, born in 1911.

Mr. Turnbull is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, being past grand master of the Robert Burns Lodge.

W. H. Davis is among the most prominent young business men of Scranton, where he is manager of the Fairmont Creamery Company. He was born at Taylor, in Lackawanna County, July 14, 1896, the son of Grant Davis and Hannah (Hughes) Davis.

Grant Davis, who lives at Taylor, is a native of this county. He was born at Olyphant and throughout his business career has been identified with the mining industry of Pennsylvania. His wife is a native of Wales. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are the parents of the following children: William, associated with the Fairmont Creamery Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bessie, married George Burdett, lives at Taylor, Pa.; W. H., the subject of this sketch; Russell C., lives in Scranton; John A., associated with the Fairmont Creamery Company, Scranton; Margaret, a teacher, principal of the Garfield School, Taylor; and Walter, attends Taylor High School.

W. H. Davis was educated in the grammar and high schools of Taylor and began his business career with the G. V. Millar Company, where he remained for two years. He then went as stenographer with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad and in January, 1916, entered the employ of the Fairmont Creamery Company as ledger clerk in Scranton. He was promoted to salesman on July 26, 1918, and to sales manager on May 1, 1925. On Aug. 1, 1926, he was made manager at Scranton.

On Sept. 8, 1919, Mr. Davis was united in marriage with Miss Orania Roberts, of Jermy, Pa. They have a daughter, Laura Jean, born July 24, 1924.

Mr. Davis is a Republican, a member of the Welsh Baptist Church, and belongs to the Masonic lodge, Kiwanis Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

In August, 1913, the Scranton branch of the Fairmont Creamery Company was established, although the company's products had for some time previously been sold in Scranton and adjacent territory. In 1906 F. F. Dixon Avery began making regular trips to Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, and Pittston, selling to dealers. In 1910 a brokerage agency was established in Scranton with Mr. Simmons selling direct to retailers. Goods

were carried in stock at the Lackawanna Cold Storage warehouse. In the spring of 1912 Mr. Simmons died, and C. L. Dilts was sent to Scranton from Pittsburgh the latter part of May, 1912. After Mr. Dilts became acquainted with the territory and studied the possibilities, a distributing house was opened in this city in August, 1913, with Mr. Dilts as manager.

Delivering Fairmont's Better Food Products is a most important service. Dairy products must be delivered quickly and with equipment that will assure their receipt in the same excellent condition as when loaded at the plant.

Trucks with closed type bodies are now used to deliver butter, eggs, cheese and poultry at most Fairmont plants. Ice cream is delivered by trucks with refrigerated bodies. Some of the newest ice cream delivery trucks are equipped with Frigidaire refrigerating units. In the cities and towns where Fairmont plants are located the familiar cream colored trucks will be seen delivering Fairmont's products. More than 190 trucks are used for delivery and 130 cars are used by salesmen and territory men. This is an army of equipment—but it is only mechanical service—real service means more than equipment—an efficient and dependable system means efficient and dependable men—men who have built and maintain Fairmont service.

Martin A. O'Toole.—Among the most prominent and influential citizens of Scranton is Martin A. O'Toole, who is president of the Clifford Coal Company. He was born in this city, Aug. 31, 1887, and is the son of John C. and Ellen (O'Donnell) O'Toole.

John C. O'Toole was born in Ireland and came to this country at an early age. He located in Scranton in 1868, where he was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad until the time of his death in 1895, being considered one of the company's most able machinists. His wife was born in County Mayo, Ireland. To Mr. and Mrs. O'Toole were born seven children, as follows: Michael Joseph, born in 1872, was for several years president of the National Picture Association of North America, and is now identified with the M. E. Comerford Amusement Company of Scranton; John F., born in 1875, coal operator, lives at Scranton; Mary E., born in 1877, married James E. White, deceased, and they had a daughter, Mary; William H., born in 1879, lives at Scranton, where he is identified with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company; Dr. James E., a well known specialist, lives at Scranton; Cornelius S., deceased; and Martin A., the subject of this sketch.

After completing his schooling, Martin A. O'Toole entered the offices of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company as a clerk. Later, he became a fireman on this railroad, and in 1906 accepted a position with the MacDonald Construction Company as timekeeper. In 1914 Mr. O'Toole went with the Scranton Anthracite Coal Company and served as superintendent of that company until 1919, when he organized the

Avoca Coal Company, of which he is now secretary. He founded the Clifford Coal Company in 1921 and has since served as president.

In 1924 the Hyde Park Deposit Bank was organized with Mr. O'Toole as one of the directors. He was elected vice-president of this institution in 1925, resigning in 1927.

In 1918 Mr. O'Toole was united in marriage with Miss Nellie Russell, the daughter of John and Ellen (Walsh) Russell, both deceased. They have two sons, Martin A., Jr., and John O'Toole.

Mr. O'Toole is a Republican, a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge.

Canio L. D'Andrea.—The undertaking establishment of Canio L. D'Andrea, of Dunmore, is one of the well equipped funeral homes of Lackawanna County, and he is recognized as an expert funeral director, and one who renders a dignified service to his clientele. He was born in this city, June 16, 1892, the son of Fabrizio and Concetta (Corbo) D'Andrea.

Fabrizio D'Andrea, deceased, was a native of Italy. He was among the early settlers of Dunmore where he engaged in the contracting business. He died in 1912 and is buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Dunmore. He also handled foreign exchange. His widow lives in Dunmore. To Mr. and Mrs. D'Andrea the following children were born: Canio L., the subject of this sketch; Mrs. Rocco Masucci, lives in Scranton; Mrs. Leonard Lalli, lives at Dunmore; Lucy and Rose, both at home.

Canio L. D'Andrea attended the public schools of his native city and also Stroudsburg State Normal School and the Dickson Law School. He was associated in the contracting business with his father for several years and then engaged in the undertaking business in the employ of Austin Kane. In 1912 Mr. D'Andrea established his present funeral home at 242 Spencer Street.

On Feb. 7, 1918, Mr. D'Andrea was united in marriage with Miss Angelina Grande, of Scranton. They have no children.

Mr. D'Andrea is a Republican, a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church and the Sons of Italy. He is one of the dependable and well known men of the community.

John P. Kelly, druggist, is among the enterprising and successful young business men of Jessup, where he was born, Nov. 21, 1900. He is the son of John E. and Bridget (Mullen) Kelly.

John E. Kelly was born at Hawley, Pa. He has been in the employ of the Scranton Coal Company for the past 28 years, and during this time lived at Jessup. He has served as school director during this time and is a highly esteemed citizen of the community. His wife is deceased. She was born at Hawley, Pa. Her father, Mr. Mullen, died in 1906, at the

age of 70 years. His widow, who was born in County Mayo, Ireland, resides at Jessup, and is now 90 years of age. She was among the first settlers of Hawley. To John E. and Bridget (Mullen) Kelly eight children were born: Dr. Gerald A., leading physician and surgeon of Jessup, was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1922, married Miss Celestine Wasman of Carbondale, June 25, 1924; Dr. Joseph J., leading dentist, of Jessup, was graduated from Temple University, Philadelphia, in 1927; Mrs. Leo Robinson, lives at Carbondale; Constance, lives at home; John P., the subject of this sketch; and three children died in infancy.

John P. Kelly obtained his early education in the public and high schools of Jessup, and in 1922 was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. He then assumed the management of the Old Forge Drug Store, Lackawanna County, and in 1923 established his present drug business at Jessup.

Mr. Kelly is a Democrat, a member of St. James Catholic Church, Jessup, and belongs to the Holy Name Society, and Upsilon Sigma Phi fraternity. He is not married.

William G. Devers.—Numbered among the able and successful business men of Scranton is William G. Devers, who was assistant superintendent of the Prudential Life Insurance Company and who is now superintendent of the Prudential Insurance Company of America for Chicago District No. 1. He was born in Scranton and is the son of William J. and Louise A. (Charles) Devers.

William J. Devers was born in Ireland. He was an early settler of Scranton and was prominent as an inventor. He invented the first wooden weather strip to be used in this country and he also was the inventor of the slate picking machine, which was known as a coal cleaning device. The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company was the first company to install the last mentioned device in its mining apparatus. Mr. Devers died in 1911 at the age of 63 years and is buried in the Cathedral Cemetery, Scranton. His widow, who was born at Hazelton, Pa., is now 70 years of age and lives at 1640 North Main Street, with her son, William G. Devers.

William G. Devers was a newsboy on the streets of Scranton for many years, being the star newsboy for the Sunday papers. He attended the parochial schools and later worked around the mines as a breaker boy. He also learned the barber trade, at which he was employed for five dollars per week. He learned telegraphy, and through hard work during the early years of his life he became one of the city's responsible young men. He entered the ranks of the Prudential Life Insurance Company as an agent in 1908, and in April, 1912, was promoted to assistant superintendent. He has always maintained a remarkable record in salesmanship during his connection with this company and in 1925 held third place in the company's force in the entire United States and

fourth place in 1926. On Jan. 9, 1928, Mr. Devers was promoted to superintendent of the Prudential Insurance Company of America at the Chicago No. 1 District, one of the largest districts.

Mr. Devers is a member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Third Degree, and Holy Name Society. He was a member of the choir of Holy Rosary Catholic Church for 18 years and has always been prominent in musical circles in his community. He is not married.

Anna L. Levy, M. D. is prominent in the medical profession and is well known in Scranton, where she has engaged in the practice of her profession since 1924 with offices in the Real Estate Building.

She is associate in Pediatrics on the staff of the Scranton State Hospital, and is medical examiner for the Scranton public schools and Y. W. C. A. of Scranton, assists the District Nurse Association in their Baby Welfare work.

Doctor Levy was born in Scranton, the daughter of Barnet and Rica (Galin) Levy. After completing her early schooling in Scranton, following her graduation from Central High School, Anna L. Levy entered the University of Pennsylvania, where she took a course in Arts and Science before entering the Medical School. After graduating from the Medical School of the same institution she interned at the Post Graduate Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. The following year was spent in the special study of Pediatrics and in 1924 Dr. Levy established her present practice in Scranton. She is a specialist in children's diseases.

Dr. Levy is a member of the Lackawanna County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society and American Medical Association. Dr. Levy at the time of publication of this history is in Europe where she is pursuing further her work in the diseases of children.

Thyge Smith, secretary and treasurer of the Scranton Stove Works, is one of the representative business men of Lackawanna County. He was born at Bindeballe, Denmark, Oct. 20th, 1883. When finishing the public school he attended the "Latin og Real Skole" of Vejle, Denmark, from which he graduated June 10th, 1890.

When 21 years of age Mr. Smith emigrated to the United States and located at Forest City, Pa., and entered the employ of the Hillside Coal and Iron Company. The following year, 1906, he was transferred from there to the main office of the Hillside Coal and Iron Company and Pennsylvania Coal Company at Dunmore, Pa., where he served in various capacities, principally, and for a number of years in charge of the payroll department.

In June, 1922, he started on an extended tour through the Pacific Northwest and California, but in the early part of the summer 1923,

followed the call from the "East" and became connected with the Scranton Stove Works of which concern he has served as director, secretary and treasurer since January, 1925.

Since May 24th, 1906, which is a very noteworthy and happy date in Mr. Smith's life, because of his marriage to Miss Marie Hansen, who also is of Danish birth, he has continually, with exception of the one year in the West, resided in Scranton and for many years at 828 Jefferson Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Mr. Smith is a Republican, a member of the Grace Lutheran Church of Scranton, and is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity in its various branches. Mr. Smith has also various other business interests in Scranton, being a director, secretary and treasurer of the Scranton Enameling Company.

Rev. Andrew Zychowicz, who has served as pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Scranton since 1898, is one of the prominent and well liked men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Poland, Nov. 16, 1865, the son of Anthony and July (Pudlo) Zychowicz, both of whom are deceased.

Andrew Zychowicz received his education in his native land and in 1889 was graduated from St. Vincent's Seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood on July 25th of that year by Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Hara in Scranton, and at that time was appointed assistant pastor of St. Stanislaw's Catholic Church at Nanticoke, Pa., where he remained for one year. He then took charge of the parish in Scranton, St. Adelbert's Church, and eight years later, in September, 1898, was made pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church at the corner of Prospect and Brook streets. Reverend Zychowicz built the new church in 1904, which was dedicated Nov. 30, 1908, and the new school was erected by him in 1919. He has been exceedingly active in the work of building up his parish and now has a large congregation.

J. F. O'Connor, D. D. S., one of the leading young dentists of Scranton, is a veteran of the World War. He was born in this city, Dec. 31, 1890, and is a son of John F. and Bridget (Gillgallon) O'Connor.

John F. O'Connor, who lives retired in Scranton, is a native of Ireland. In early youth he came to this country and settled at Grafton, W. Va., where he engaged in farming. Later he removed to Scranton and was employed in the coal mines of this section until the time of his retirement. His wife was also born in Ireland and died in 1922 at the age of 55 years. To Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor seven children were born, four of whom survive.

J. F. O'Connor spent his boyhood in this city and received his early schooling here. He was graduated from Central High School in 1907

and later entered the Medico-Chirurgical College in Philadelphia, being graduated from the School of Dentistry in 1914. During the World War Doctor O'Connor enlisted in the army and was sent to the Officers' Training Camp. He was attached to the General Hospital No. 1, New York, for nine months and was discharged from the service in July, 1919. He is now a first lieutenant in the Reserve Corps. Doctor O'Connor established his present practice in Scranton in 1919 and from the beginning met with success in his chosen profession. He has offices in the Brooks Building.

Doctor O'Connor was married on Oct. 19, 1917, to Miss Mary Rose Gallagher, of Philadelphia. She is a graduate of the Sacred Heart Academy, Philadelphia. To Doctor and Mrs. O'Connor have been born three children: Joseph F., Jr., John, and Anna Marie.

Doctor O'Connor is a member of the Scranton Dental Society. He and his family hold membership in the Catholic Church. Their home is at 1810 Prospect Avenue, South Scranton.

Joel Davis, popular hotel and restaurant owner of Moosic, was born here in 1885, the son of William and Mary (Cunningham) Davis.

William Davis spent his entire life at Moosic and was a miner. He died July 7, 1884, and his wife, a native of England, died Aug. 30, 1925. Mr. Davis is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Minooka, and his wife is buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avoca, Pa. They were the parents of the following children: Anna, the widow of Patrick McAndrew, lives at Avoca; William, lives at Moosic; Mary, married Daniel McCabe, lives at Moosic; Joel, the subject of this sketch; Frank, born Sept. 3, 1892, was killed in action in France during the World War, Sept. 29, 1918, at the Battle of St. Mihiel, while serving as a member of the 79th Division, is buried in France; Margaret, lives at home; Dominick, lives at Moosic, is a World War veteran, having served in France with the 79th Division; Thomas, lives at home, is a World War veteran, having served with the Medical Corps at Camp Greenleaf; Michael, lives at Moosic; and Agnes, married Robert Bennie, lives at Moosic.

The boyhood of Joel Davis was spent at Moosic and Avoca, where he attended the public schools. He was employed in the mines for several years and in 1915 established his hotel and restaurant business on Main Street, in which venture he is meeting with well deserved success.

On April 26, 1916, Mr. Davis married Miss Anna Jordan, who was born at Moosic, Feb. 21, 1888, the daughter of Michael and Bridget (Schal) Jordan, natives of Ireland. Mr. Jordan, an early settler of Minooka, is deceased. He was a Democrat and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. There were nine children in the Jordan family, as follows: Mary, the widow of Thomas McAndrew, lives at Avoca; Martin, deceased; Edward, lives at Clearfield, Pa.; Austin, lives at Avoca; Sarah, married William Davis, lives at Moosic; Michael, lives at Avoca; Anna

Davis; Bridget, lives at Moosic; and Kate, married Thomas Cranston, lives at Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis have been born five children: Paul, born June 23, 1917; Francis, born April 7, 1919; Mary, born Dec. 27, 1921; Gerald, born April 29, 1923; and Anna, born Oct. 10, 1924.

Mr. Davis is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and belongs to the Eagles Lodge. He is independent in politics.

William Hardie Davis, who is president of the Scranton Engraving Company, is a reliable business man of Scranton who has been successful in his work. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in December, 1879, and came to the United States in 1909.

Mr. Davis was educated in Scotland and began his business career as a wood engraver. He also was interested in photo-lithography. After his arrival in this country in 1909 he settled at Buffalo, N. Y., where he was superintendent of the Montgomery Engraving Company. He later went to Canton, Ohio, and from there to Utica, N. Y. He settled at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in 1922, and after two years removed to Scranton, where he became associated with the Penn Engraving Company, Incorporated. This company was organized during the year 1922 by Mr. C. B. Stevens and Mr. M. J. Lynott. In 1925 Mr. Davis became principal owner of the enterprise.

On Aug. 11, 1923, Mr. Davis married Miss Irene Kehrner, of Williamsport, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis live at Chinchilla, Pa.

Rev. Edmond Zowadzki is among the best liked and widely known men of Scranton, where he is pastor of St. Mary's Polish Catholic Church. He was born at Sugar Notch, Pa., Nov. 12, 1891, the son of John and Josephine (Kramnicz) Zowadzki.

John Zowadzki was born in Poland and emigrated to the United States in 1877. He settled at Sugar Notch, Pa., where he was well known for many years as a hotel proprietor and merchant. He removed to Kingston, Pa., in 1922, where he now lives retired. He is a Republican and a member of the Catholic Church. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Zowadzki: Valeria, married Anthony J. Dryer, lives at Wilkes-Barre; Joseph, deceased; Frances, housekeeper for her brother, Rev. Zowadzki; Anna, married John Emanski, lives at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Edmond, the subject of this sketch; Catherine, married Frank Plava, lives at Kingston, Pa.; Isabel, married Andrew Mraz, lives at Detroit, Mich.; Johanna, deceased; Dr. John, dentist, lives at Plymouth, Pa.; and Lola, attends Temple University, School of Pharmacy, class of 1928.

Edmond Zowadzki received his early education in the public schools of Sugar Notch and in 1909 was graduated from St. Mary's High School, Wilkes-Barre. He then attended St. Bonaventure's College (New York),

and was graduated from that institution in 1913. He prepared for the priesthood at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Md., and was ordained in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Scranton, by Bishop M. J. Hoban, on Dec. 21, 1916. He said his first Mass at Holy Family Church, Sugar Notch, Dec. 31, 1916, and spent the following two years in post graduate work at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., where he attended the Mission House under the supervision of the Polish Fathers. Rev. Zowadzki's first charge was the Holy Cross Church in Hanover Township, Lackawanna County. He was later transferred to Sacred Heart Church at Forest City, Pa., and on April 15, 1921, was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Polish Catholic Church in Scranton.

Thomas J. O'Malley is one of the most dependable business men of Scranton, having been a plumbing contractor in this city for almost thirty years. He was born in Scranton, May 22, 1870, the son of Patrick and Honora (O'Malley) O'Malley.

Patrick O'Malley was born in Ireland and emigrated to this country during the Civil War. He settled in Scranton and was employed in the coal mines of this region during the remainder of his life. He met with an accidental death in 1887, and is buried in Scranton. His widow, now 92 years of age, resides in Scranton. She is also a native of Ireland.

Thomas J. O'Malley acquired a common school education in Scranton, where he attended School No. 9. For several years he was employed in the mines and later learned the plumbing trade while in the employ of the late O. T. Burke. Soon after he was associated in business with Watson & Jermyn. In 1899 he purchased the business of Major Fish, which he has since successfully conducted at 1808 North Main Street. Mr. O'Malley has been awarded many of the large plumbing contracts in the city, among which may be mentioned Scranton Technical High School and the Hillside Home.

Mr. O'Malley was married Oct. 28, 1920, to Miss Anna Fahey, of Scranton, a daughter of James and Margaret Fahey, natives of Ireland. Mr. Fahey is deceased and his widow lives in Ireland.

Mr. O'Malley is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Elks Lodge.

M. L. Speck, assistant secretary and treasurer of the Scranton Water & Gas Company, has been identified with this organization for 33 years, and is among the dependable and well known men of Scranton. He was born at Greencastle, Pa., Feb. 2, 1873, the son of Samuel S. Speck.

Samuel S. Speck was born at Hagerstown, Md., and was among the earliest settlers of Greencastle, Pa., where he was prominent for more than half a century as a miller. He died in 1905 at the age of 76 years. Mr. Speck was a Democrat and served as school director of Greencastle.

His wife, a native of Pennsylvania, died in 1877, at the age of 34 years, and is buried at Waymart. They were the parents of two children: M. L., the subject of this sketch; and Anna Elizabeth, lives at Topeka, Kan., where she is employed in the offices of the Bank Commissioners of Kansas.

Growing up at Greencastle, M. L. Speck attended the grammar and high schools, and also spent several years in the public schools at Gettysburg, Pa. He attended Scranton Business College, and in 1894 entered the employ of the Scranton Water & Gas Company as a clerk. He served in various capacities and as bookkeeper and cashier. In 1916 he was appointed assistant secretary and treasurer of the company. He lives at 1740 Monroe Avenue.

On June 18, 1896, Mr. Speck was united in marriage with Miss Mary L. Pecken, of Scranton, the daughter of Austin A., and Adeline (Oram) Pecken, both deceased. Mr. Pecken was an early settler of Scranton and for many years was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He and his wife are buried in the Dunmore Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Speck have a daughter, Helen Louise, who attends Central High School, Scranton.

Politically Mr. Speck is a Republican. He has served as an elder of the Dunmore Presbyterian Church for 20 years, and is identified with the Rotary Club and Green Ride Country Club.

M. L. Coyne, mortician, is a leader in his profession in Scranton, where he is identified with Coyne Funeral Directors, of 1803 Cedar Avenue. He was born at Greenwood, Pa., Oct. 12, 1884, the son of Malachi and Catherine (Sullivan) Coyne.

Malachi Coyne, deceased, was a native of Ireland. After his arrival in this country he settled at Pittston, Pa., later removing to Greenwood, where he was employed in the mines for many years. He was then connected with the Connell Coal Company, which later became part of the Lackawanna Railroad Company. Mr. Coyne was identified with the coal industry until the time of his retirement. He died Sept. 15, 1923, and his wife, who was born in Hyde Park, Scranton, died March 24, 1907. Mr. Coyne was a Democrat and served as a member of the city council from the 20th Ward for two terms. He was a member of the Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Coyne the following children were born: Patrick H. and James, both deceased; M. L., the subject of this sketch; Joseph, deceased; Mary, lives at home; Catherine and Anna, school teachers, live in Scranton; Lottera, who is identified with Coyne Funeral Directors; and John, deceased.

M. L. Coyne grew up in Scranton and received his education in the parochial schools. He then entered the Bringham Embalming School of Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in March, 1920. Mr. Coyne became associated with his brother, Joseph Coyne, at this time and they

organized the business, which has continued since the latter's death. Coyne Funeral Directors conduct one of the most modern funeral homes in the city and render complete and courteous service.

Mr. Coyne is a Democrat, a member of the Catholic Church, and belongs to the Knights of Columbus.

Joseph Coyne, deceased, was a veteran of the World War.

F. W. Stevens, M. D., is well known in Scranton, where he has engaged in the practice of medicine since 1916. He is also a veteran of the World War. Doctor Stevens was born in Sterling Township, Wayne County, Pa., July 16, 1890, and spent his early life in that section of Pennsylvania.

F. W. Stevens attended the public schools and in 1909 was graduated from Westchester State Normal School. He then attended Lackawanna School in Scranton and took up the study of medicine at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He was graduated from that institution in 1914 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine and spent the following year as an interne in the State Hospital in Scranton. He also spent five months in the New York Nursery and Child's Hospital, and in January, 1916, came to Scranton, where he succeeded to the practice of his step-father, the late Doctor Stevens.

During the World War, Doctor Stevens volunteered for service and was sent to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., where he was attached to the Medical Corps.

Doctor Stevens is identified with the Lackawanna County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is a member of the Masonic lodge and Shrine, and belongs to the Scranton Country Club. He is not married.

Besides his extensive practice in Scranton, Doctor Stevens is also surgeon for the Pennsylvania Coal Company, in charge of Colliery No. 1, and is a member of the staff of the State Hospital in Scranton.

John H. Jordan, a successful real estate operator and one of the earlier residents of Scranton, has been prominently identified with the business activities of this city for the last quarter of a century. He was born at Archbald, Pa., a son of Richard and Bridget (Hosie) Jordan.

Richard Jordan, deceased, was a native of County Mayo, Ireland. He emigrated to the United States in 1848 and settled at Archbald. He served as treasurer and auditor of that borough and was prominent in its business life. He retired in 1892 and removed to Scranton, where he died the same year. His wife died in 1885, and they are buried at Archbald. To Mr. and Mrs. Jordan the following children were born: Thomas H., deceased; Mary, married John T. Swift, of Archbald, both deceased; James J., founder and publisher of the Scranton "Truth"; Elizabeth, lives at 1660 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton; Ella T., deceased, was a teacher in the public

schools of Archbald; Rose, died in 1918; Richard W., real estate, has offices in the Miller Building, Scranton; and John H., the subject of this sketch.

John H. Jordan was reared and educated at Archbald and attended St. Charles College, Ellicott City, Md. He was graduated from St. Bonaventure College (N. Y.) in 1887, and spent the following year as a teacher in the schools of Archbald. He then worked as a reporter on the Scranton "Truth," and was identified with that popular newspaper for 13 years. He resigned as city editor in 1900, and since that time has been interested in the real estate business in Scranton. He has offices at 315 Miller Building.

On Oct. 15, 1895, Mr. Jordan married Miss Mazie G. Leonard, of Scranton, the daughter of A. R. and Catherine (McCaffery) Leonard, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Archbald. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard, who are deceased, were the parents of four children: John, lives in Pittsburgh; Bart C., president and treasurer of the Riverside Coal Company, South Fork, Pa.; Mazie G. Jordan; and Josephine, a teacher in the public schools of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan have no children.

Mr. Jordan has always been a Republican, and has served as chairman of the board of assessors in Lackawanna County.

Edward E. Kaplan, proprietor of the Dollar Cleaning & Dyeing Company, 1452 Meylert Avenue, is among the substantial young business men of Scranton. He was born in Russia, Jan. 16, 1894, the son of Ephriam and Rose (Seltzer) Kaplan.

Ephriam Kaplan, deceased, was a native of Russia. He came to the United States many years ago and settled at Binghamton, N. Y., where he engaged in the fruit business. He died in 1927 and is buried in Binghamton, where his widow resides. They were the parents of the following children: Anna, married Max Rosen, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; Nathan, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; Leon, lives at Buffalo, N. Y.; Edward E., the subject of this sketch; Frank, lives in Massachusetts; Maurice, lives at Cortland, N. Y.; Peter, lives at Binghamton, N. Y.; and Sarah, lives at home.

Edward E. Kaplan spent his boyhood in his native land and in early youth went to the Argentine Republic, where he lived until August, 1924. He then came to the United States and settled in Binghamton, N. Y. In 1925 Mr. Kaplan came to Scranton and at that time organized the Dollar Cleaning & Dyeing Company. It has developed into one of the thriving industries of the city, and its business covers a radius of 25 miles. Mr. Kaplan is the owner of the building his plant occupies, as well as adjacent business frontage. He operates ten automobile trucks.

On May 19, 1918, Mr. Kaplan married Miss Rose Abrahamson, of Binghamton, N. Y. They have no children.

Mr. Kaplan is a member of the Temple of Israel and belongs to the Good Fellowship Club, Y. M. H. A., and Scranton Chamber of Commerce.

P. J. Dempsey, laundry owner and proprietor, has developed the largest business of this kind in Dunmore. He was born in this city in 1889, the son of Thomas and Mary (Durkin) Dempsey.

Thomas Dempsey, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He emigrated to the United States at an early age and was among the first settlers of Dunmore, where he was employed in the mines. He was a Democrat and a member of the Catholic Church. He died in 1907 and is buried in Hyde Park Cemetery. His widow, also born in Ireland, lives in Dunmore. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey, as follows: P. J., the subject of this sketch; John, public accountant, lives at Detroit, Mich., is a World War veteran; Thomas, lives in Scranton, is a World War veteran; Irene, married Charles Gilhooley, lives at Dunmore; Mary, married Edward Novak, druggist, lives in Scranton; and James, lives in Dunmore.

P. J. Dempsey was educated in the public schools of Dunmore and for several years was interested in the motion picture business at this place. He then engaged in the laundry business at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., for three years, and in 1919 located in Scranton, where he operated a laundry at 212 Bressler Court. He removed to Dunmore in 1923, where he has since managed "Mother's Wet Wash Laundry." Mr. Dempsey operates seven automobile trucks and employs approximately 55 people. All the washing, drying, ironing, and other machines are of the latest models and are electrically controlled.

On Aug. 10, 1915, Mr. Dempsey was united in marriage with Miss Julia Hefferon, who was born at Pittston, Pa., in 1887. They have two children: Mary, born in 1916; and Patrick, born in 1923.

Mr. Dempsey is a member of the Catholic Church and belongs to the Elks Lodge and Knights of Columbus. Politically he is a Democrat.

Saul Levy, B. S., D. D. S., is a leader among the younger dentists of Scranton, and a member of one of the city's prominent families. He was born in Scranton, May 30, 1901, the son of Barnet and Rica Levy, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this history. He is a brother of Dr. Anna L. Levy, physician, and Julius Levy, attorney, both of Scranton.

Saul Levy received his early education in the public schools of Scranton and was graduated from Central High School in 1917. He volunteered for service during the World War and was stationed in the Officers Reserve Training Camp at Pennsylvania State College, from which he was discharged in December, 1919. He then continued his studies and in 1925 received the degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Illinois. The following year he was graduated from the Dental School of the same university. Dr. Levy has engaged in practice in Scranton since September, 1926, and already has an excellent practice. He has offices in the Traders National Bank Building.

Dr. Levy is a Republican, a member of the Linden Street Temple, and is an active member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association of

Scranton. He is also a member of the Scranton District Dental Society, Pennsylvania State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. At the time of the publication of this history he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Scranton District Dental Society. He is a frequent contributor to the Y. M. H. A. monthly magazine, as well as the University of Illinois Alumni Bulletins. He is unmarried.

John D. Price, who is superintendent of mines at Moosic for the Hudson Coal Company, is among the well known and highly esteemed men of Lackawanna County. He was born in Wales, Aug. 23, 1876, the son of Richard and Catherine (Rowland) Price.

Richard Price came to the United States from Wales in 1884 and settled in Schuylkill County, Pa., where he was employed in the coal mines. He later removed to Taylor, where he died in 1907. His wife died in 1914 and they are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Taylor. They were the parents of three children: Catherine, married Charles Rippon, lives at Thompsonville, Pa.; John D., the subject of this sketch; and Margaret, the widow of Robert Gruver, lives at Moosic.

John D. Price attended the schools of Taylor and also took work at the Y. M. C. A., where he attended night classes. He worked in the mines when a boy in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company and advanced through the various stages in the mines until he was made mine foreman by the Hudson Coal Company. He has held his present position as mine superintendent since August, 1927. Mr. Price is also identified with the Minooka State Bank as a director.

Mr. Price is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Church. He also belongs to the Masonic Lodge and its various branches. He is unmarried and makes his home with his sister, Margaret Gruver. She has a daughter, Claudia, who is a student nurse in the Hahnemann Hospital, Scranton.

P. M. Brennan.—A substantial citizen and well known educator of Lackawanna County is found in P. M. Brennan, who is superintendent of the Dickson City School District. He was born at Carbondale, April 13, 1878, the son of Patrick and Mary (O'Byrne) Brennan.

Patrick Brennan, deceased, was a prominent pioneer citizen of Lackawanna County. He was born in Ireland and was among the first settlers of Archbald, where he was connected with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad for many years in the capacity of car repair man. He died in 1906 and his wife died in 1903. They are buried in St. Rose's Catholic Cemetery, Carbondale. Mr. and Mrs. Brennan had the following children: James, lives at Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bernard, twin brother of James, lives at Carbondale; P. M., the subject of this sketch; Mary E., lives at Carbondale; and J. E., attorney, lives at Carbondale.

P. M. Brennan was educated at Carbondale, where he attended the public school. He is a graduate of Wood's Business College, Mansfield State Normal School, and the Pennsylvania State Normal College. He has always been connected with the school system of Lackawanna County, having served as principal of the Carbondale grade schools from 1900 until 1913, as superintendent of the Carbondale schools from 1913 until 1918, and from 1918 until the present time has been superintendent of the district city schools.

Mr. Brennan is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, Carbondale, and belongs to the Holy Name Society and Eagle's Lodge. In politics he is independent.

Hon. John R. Farr is among the most prominent and highly esteemed men of Scranton, having served as representative from this District of Pennsylvania during the sessions of the Sixty-Second, Sixty-Third, and Sixty-Fourth Congresses.

John R. Farr is a native of Scranton, where he has always lived. He was educated in the public schools of this city and later attended the School of the Lackawanna, as well as Phillips-Exeter Academy and Lafayette College. He was an apprentice typesetter and at an early age entered the field of journalism, later becoming one of the leaders in this profession in Lackawanna County.

Mr. Farr was elected five times to the House of Representatives and served from 1891 until 1899, being Speaker of Sessions in 1899. He was the author of the free schools book and compulsory education acts, as well as the eight hour law. He was elected to the 62nd, 63rd and 64th Congresses and during his first term secured a public building for Olyphant. Mr. Farr also receives credit for having introduced the bill into Congress which gave free rural mail service to Lackawanna County. He served on many important committees, including the committee on education, claims and mining committee, and the naval committee. He also brought about legislation which restored the revenue district to Scranton.

Mr. Farr has always been a Republican. He is one of the founders of the West Side Hospital of Scranton.

Stephen A. O'Connor, who is identified with the P. F. and M. T. Howley Plumbing Company, is among the substantial men of Scranton, where he was born Jan 1, 1887. He is the son of T. F. and Bridget (Murphy) O'Connor.

T. F. O'Connor was born at Carbondale, Pa., and for many years was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad as a mine foreman. Later he was connected with the North End Coal Company of Scranton. Mr. O'Connor died in this city, March 12, 1924. He served as a member of the city council for several years and was also a school

director. His widow resides in Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor the following children were born: Thomas, lives at Cleveland, Ohio; Anna, married James Caffery, lives at Newark, N. J.; Stephen A., the subject of this sketch; Gerald, lives at Detroit, Mich.; Julia, a Sister in the Convent of the Good Shepherd, Philadelphia; Mary, and Evelyn, both at home.

Stephen A. O'Connor grew up in Scranton and attended the parochial schools. In March, 1903, he became associated with P. F. and M. C. Howley and learned the plumbing trade. Since 1921 he has been a stockholder in the company and is also second vice president.

On Nov. 8, 1910, Mr. O'Connor was united in marriage with Miss Mary McAndrews, of Scranton, the daughter of Anthony and Sarah (Loftus) McAndrews, natives of Ireland, and both now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor have seven children: Mary, Thomas, Stephen A., Jr., Ann, Grace, Lenore, and Regina.

Mr. O'Connor is a Democrat and is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. He and his family hold membership in the Catholic Church.

The Traders National Bank of Scranton is one of the leading financial institutions of Lackawanna County. It was incorporated Dec. 20, 1889, with a capital of \$250,000. Activities began Jan. 2, 1890, at 234 Lackawanna Avenue, in the old Second National Bank Building. The officers were: Samuel Hines, president; W. W. Watson, Esq., vice president; and A. B. Williams, cashier. The directors were: John T. Porter, A. W. Leisenring, M. S. Kemmerer, George H. Meyers, Samuel Hines, Charles P. Matthews, James M. Everhart, Irvin A. Finch, and W. W. Watson.

On Jan. 20, 1896, Samuel Hines retired as president and was succeeded by John T. Porter. On Feb. 3, 1896, A. B. Williams resigned as cashier, and Frank L. Phillips, was elected cashier and served until Oct. 12, 1901, when he resigned, and accepted the treasureship of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, and E. P. Passmore, of Avondale, Pa., was made cashier, and E. W. Dolph, assistant cashier. On March 31, 1902, Mr. Passmore resigned and was succeeded by F. W. Wollerton. On Jan. 17, 1903, W. W. Watson, Esq., who had served continually as vice president, resigned, and was succeeded by Joseph J. Jermyn. On April 6, 1907, Mr. Wollerton resigned, and M. J. Murphy, was appointed cashier.

On July 26, 1907, the Squires property was acquired, whereon was erected later the addition that made the Traders National Bank the largest and best equipped bank building in the city of Scranton. On July 22, 1907, the capital was increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000, with a surplus fund of \$600,000. Saturday, Nov. 12, 1910, the new home of the bank was officially opened. On Jan. 11, 1911, Charles S. Ross was elected assistant cashier. On July 1, 1914, the officers were: J. T. Porter, president; Joseph J. Jermyn, vice president; M. J. Murphy, cashier; E. W. Dolph, and Charles G. Ross, assistant cashiers. The directors were: R. W.

Beadle, F. Lamonte Belin, David Boies, H. H. Brady, M. W. Collins, Hugh Jennings, Joseph J. Jermyn, Cyrus D. Jones, E. S. Jones, H. C. Manchester, C. P. Matthews, R. H. Patterson, John T. Porter, James G. Shepherd, and Ralph E. Weeks.

In October, 1927, the officers were: J. J. Jermyn, president; Roswell H. Patterson and D. R. Atherton, vice presidents; Robert M. Fish, cashier; Thomas H. Marsh and E. E. Battenberg, assistant cashiers. The directors are: J. J. Jermyn, R. W. Beadle, E. S. Jones, James G. Shepherd, R. H. Patterson, M. W. Collings, Hugh Jennings, D. R. Atherton, E. S. Peck, Willard Matthews, S. R. Bliss, George B. Jermyn, Charles A. Straw, John R. Atherton, and William H. Coon.

Following is a statement of the bank's condition, Oct. 10, 1927. Resources, \$14,144,706.33; Capital, \$500,000; Deposits, \$11,210,931.89; Surplus, \$1,000,000; and Undivided Profits, \$228,957.65.

The recently completed addition to the Traders National Bank of Scranton was formally opened to the public in December, 1927. The building program was carried out at a cost of approximately \$600,000.

Luther Keller is one of the most prominent business men and influential citizens of Scranton, where he has been identified with the Luther Keller Company for more than half a century. He was born near Stroudsburg, Pa., Oct. 27, 1850, and is the son of Daniel and Catherine Jane (Drake) Keller.

Daniel Keller was born in Monroe County, Pa., in April, 1825, and died Feb. 8, 1904. He learned the grist mill trade in his father's mill and later succeeded his father in the business. He was living retired at the time of his death. Mr. Keller was a Republican and a member of the German Reform Church. He married Miss Catherine Jane Drake, who was born April 20, 1828, and died March 27, 1861. She was the daughter of Wayne Drake, a prosperous farmer of Monroe County. Four children grew to maturity: Luther, the subject of this sketch; Morris T.; Laura, married James Decker; and Isabelle, married S. B. Decker. Daniel Keller was the son of Peter and Elizabeth (Heller) Keller.

Peter Keller was born Aug. 26, 1794, and died Sept. 20, 1878. He grew to manhood in Cherry Valley, Northampton County, Pa., now part of Monroe County, and became a leading farmer and mill owner. He also ran a line of freight teams from that section to and from Easton, Stroudsburg and Philadelphia. He was a Whig and later a Republican. His wife was born Oct. 19, 1798, and died Nov. 23, 1886. Their children were: John, born Oct. 11, 1818, died April 3, 1886; Susan, born Jan. 2, 1821, died March 2, 1883; Catherine, born in 1822, married T. W. Rhodes; Daniel, father of the subject of this sketch; Charles, born April 20, 1827, married Lavine Smith, born Feb. 7, 1827, and died June 22, 1897; Mary Ann, born Nov. 29, 1829, married Henry Dennis, born Jan. 11, 1830, and died Oct. 10, 1901; Joseph J., born Oct. 18, 1832, died Dec. 11, 1871, mar-

ried Mary J. Rhoads; Lewis, born in 1833, died Sept. 11, 1903, married Julia Werheiser; Louise, born in 1833; Sarah, born in 1835; William, born in 1837; and Theodore, born in 1837. Peter Keller was the son of Joseph, Jr., and Maria Magdalene (Andre) Keller.

Joseph Keller, Jr., was born Jan. 15, 1751, and died April 15, 1832. He was about six years old when his mother was captured by the Indians and about three years later she was returned to her home. He enlisted as a seven month man in the Revolutionary War, but the length of his service in the Continental Army is not known. After his marriage he removed to Cherry Valley, Pa. His wife was born June 15, 1785, and died Sept. 6, 1831. They had the following children: Adam, married Elizabeth Fisher; Leonard; Joseph, married first to Miss Regal; Jacob, married Nancy Dennis; John, married Mary Johnson; Henry, married Miss Hess; Elizabeth, married John Fellenser; Mary, born in 1780, died June 4, 1842, married Henry Algert; Peter, grandfather of the subject of this sketch; Sarah, married Robert Shaw; George, born Jan. 15, 1797, died Feb. 3, 1871, married first to Mary Bitja, born Dec. 15, 1803, died Oct. 1, 1825, married second to Lovina Lern, born March 11, 1807, died Aug. 17, 1872. Joseph Keller, Jr., was the son of Joseph and Mary Engel (Drumm) Keller.

Joseph Keller was born near Zweibruecken, Bavaria, Germany, March 15, 1719. His mother was married twice according to family records, her first husband being a Mr. Guth. Joseph Keller sailed on the ship "William" for America and arrived at Philadelphia, Oct. 31, 1737. He married Mary Engel Drumm about 1742, and settled in Northampton County, Pa. They were forced to endure all the hardships of the very early settlers, among them being the capture of Mrs. Keller and several of her children by the Indians. Her eldest child was murdered at this time. They were taken by the Indians to Canada and handed over to the officers of the French army. They were held captive for three years and when the English defeated the French at Ottawa all the prisoners were set free. Mrs. Keller made her way back with her children and was forced to travel over a thousand miles in returning to her home. The children in this family were: Christian, born Sept. 10, 1743, murdered by the Indians when he was 14 years old; Anna Margaret, born March 15, 1845, married a Mr. Miller; Henry Adam, born Jan. 1, 1747; Simon, born Oct. 29, 1749, married Miss Dipper; Joseph, Jr., great grandfather of the subject of this sketch; John Jacob, born July 10, 1754, was captured by the Indians in 1756 and never again heard from; John Jacob, 2nd, born March 22, 1757, married Maria Dorothy Metz; and Phillip, born March 29, 1763, married first to Sarah Miller, and second to Susannah Engler.

Luther Keller, the subject of this sketch, spent his boyhood on his father's farm and during the winter months attended the country schools. At the age of 15 years he came to Scranton and learned the harness making trade from Lewis and Sidney Keller. During this period he attended night classes at Gardner's Business College, and thereby gained a com-

plete knowledge of business methods. In 1875 he established his present business and during the many years that have followed has been widely known as one of the city's leading business men. He began on a small scale and later leased the lime works at Portland, which he subsequently purchased. He has one of the largest plants of its kind in eastern Pennsylvania and employs a large force of men. His products are sold throughout the United States. To the lime business he added cement, hard water plaster, sewer pipe, fire brick and clay, and he now conducts a complete builders' supply house.

On Sept. 18, 1879, Mr. Keller was united in marriage with Miss Annie E. Hulstead, the daughter of Nathaniel Hulstead. She died Feb. 18, 1883. Mr. Keller was married the second time on Jan. 21, 1886, to Miss Laura F. Frey, the daughter of Peter and Marie (Boyer) Frey, of Portland, Pa. To this union two children were born: Ruth, born in 1892, married R. Shaul, of Scranton, and they have two children, Lawrence and Barbara; and Russell, married Elizabeth Cawley, and they have two children, Luther, II, and Joanna Elizabeth. Mr. Keller is identified with his father's business in Scranton.

Mr. Keller has served as a member of the city council for 14 years and as president for two years. He served as president of the Board of Trade of Scranton for two years and for the past 33 years has been a director of the Third National Bank. He is also vice president of the Scranton Textile Company. He became a member of F. & A. M. in 1877, and belongs to Lackawanna Chapter R. A. M. No. 185; Coeur de Lion Commandery, K. T. No. 17; and Keystone Consistory, 32nd degree.

Mr. Keller has been a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church since 1868, and for many years was Sunday school superintendent, deacon, and president of the Board of Trustees. He is widely known in the Baptist Church outside of Emmanuel, and was moderator of Abbington Baptist Convention; a member of the executive committee of the Northern Baptist Convention; and is a charter member of the Ministers & Missionary Benefit Board of the Northern Baptist Convention. His wife is also prominent in all church affairs.

Gomer C. Davis, popular sheriff of Lackawanna County, is a substantial and widely known citizen of Scranton. He was born at Moosic, Pa., May 14, 1876, and is the son of Joseph D. and Margaret (Watkins) Davis.

Joseph D. Davis, deceased, was a native of Wales. He was born in 1820 and about 1842 came to the United States and settled at Pottsville, Pa. Later he removed to Olyphant, and from there to Moosic, where he was superintendent of the Hillside Coal Company. He was serving in that capacity at the time of his death on Aug. 9, 1886. His wife, also a native of Wales, died in 1901. Both are buried in Hyde Park Cemetery, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis were born six children: Joseph H., lives at Scranton; William J., lives at Ithaca, N. Y.; Mrs. John Heller,

lives at Stroudsburg, Pa.; Thomas W., lives at Scranton; Mary E., lives at Philadelphia; and Gomer C., the subject of this sketch.

Gomer C. Davis spent his boyhood at Moosic and received his education in the schools there. He also attended Scranton Business College. His early youth was spent working in the coal mines and he later was a painting contractor. In 1914 he was elected clerk of the courts and filled that office for two terms. He was later elected county treasurer of Lackawanna County and resigned from that office in 1925 to accept the office of sheriff.

Mr. Davis was one of the organizers of the Hyde Park Deposit Bank in September, 1923, and served as president and director of this institution until 1926, when he resigned in order to devote his entire time to his responsibilities as sheriff. He was also one of the organizers of the Peoples Mortgage Company, of which he is treasurer.

On July 30, 1902, Mr. Davis was united in marriage with Miss Jane Freeman, of Scranton, the daughter of Thomas J. and Margaret (Reese) Freeman, the former a native of Carbondale, Pa., and the latter of Wales. Mr. Freeman, who lives retired in Scranton, was for 50 years connected with the Bellevue mines as a foreman. To Mr. and Mrs. Davis three children were born: Gertrude F., a graduate of Beechwood College; J. Freeman and Warren F., both students.

Mr. Davis has always been a Republican. He is a member of the First Baptist Church, and is a 32nd degree Mason. He also belongs to the Eagles Lodge.

Thomas J. Jones.—One of Scranton's best known citizens is Thomas J. Jones who is serving as a member of the city council. He was born at Nanticoke, Luzerne County, Pa., Aug. 21, 1883, the son of John T. and Grace (Jones) Jones.

John T. Jones, who lives retired in Scranton, is a native of Wales. He came to the United States about 1877 and settled at Nanticoke, Pa., where he worked in the coal mines. Later he became associated with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as an agent, and was made assistant superintendent of the Nanticoke district. In 1886 he removed to Scranton and remained in this company's employ as assistant district superintendent. After several years Mr. Jones purchased the Peter Warburton Hotel in West Scranton, which he successfully conducted for many years. He is a Republican and a member of the Tabernacle Congregational Church. Grace (Jones) Jones, who died Nov. 13, 1918, was a native of Wales. She is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. To Mr. and Mrs. Jones the following children were born: Sarah, married Albert Schlager, lives in Scranton; Hannah, deceased, was the wife of Robert W. Cooper; John, deceased; Thomas J., the subject of this sketch; Margaret, lives at home; Grace, married Clifford Fitch, lives in Scranton; Tydvil, married Claude Meredith, lives at Scranton; and Ethel, deceased.

Thomas J. Jones was employed in the Oxford Coal mines as a breaker boy when he was 12 years old, and later as a driver. He secured his education by attending night school and also learned the plumber's trade in this manner, at which he was employed three years. He later was connected with the Bittenbender Hardware Company as a clerk and in 1912 became associated with the Globe Soap Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, as a salesman. His territory included the entire anthracite region and in 1917 Mr. Jones was made district manager for the company.

In July, 1911, Mr. Jones was united in marriage with Miss Lena Scheuer, the daughter of John W. and Amelia (Budenbach) Scheuer. Mr. Scheuer, deceased, was a native of Brooklyn, N. Y. He spent many years in the employ of the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company, Scranton, and died in this city in 1909. He is buried in the Pittston Avenue Cemetery, Scranton. His wife was a native of Baumhalten, Germany. She died March 19, 1926. Mr. Scheuer was a Republican and a member of the German Presbyterian Church. There were six children in the Scheuer family, as follows: John F., lives in Scranton; Elizabeth, lives in Scranton; Louis, died in January, 1927; Henry, lives in Scranton; Lena Jones; and Louise, married Edward R. Hessinger, lives in Scranton.

Mr. Jones is a Republican in politics and was elected a member of the city council in 1925. He holds membership in the German Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Malta, Elk and Eagle Lodges, and Chamber of Commerce.

Harold Conrad.—One of the leading and successful young business men of Scranton is Harold Conrad, who is general manager of the Lackawanna Automobile Company. He was born in Scranton, Aug. 30, 1892, and is the son of Edward and Clara (Woodhouse) Conrad.

Edward Conrad ranks high among the representative citizens of Scranton, where he is identified with the Lackawanna Automobile Company as president. He was born at Pottsville, Pa., April 12, 1865, the son of Andrew and Catherine (Mueller) Conrad, natives of Germany. After their arrival in this country, the Conrad family settled at Pottsville and later removed to Scranton, where Andrew Conrad became well known as a teacher of music. He was also interested in the insurance business with his son, Otto Conrad. Both Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Conrad are deceased and are buried in Scranton. Their son, Edward, was reared and educated in Scranton and for several years was associated in the dairy business with his brother, William Conrad. He later owned and operated a farm in Lackawanna County, after which he spent several years in Los Angeles, Calif. Upon his return to Scranton he entered the insurance field and in 1907 became interested in the automobile business. Three years later he was made local agent for the Packard Motor Car Company and at that time founded the Lackawanna Automobile Company, of which he has since served as president. Mr. Conrad is a Republican and holds membership in

the Emmanuel Baptist Church. His wife was born at Staleybridge, England, and is the daughter of John and Martha (Scholes) Woodhouse, early settlers of Scranton. Mr. Woodhouse was an engineer in the employ of the Dickson Manufacturing Company during his business career. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Scranton. To Edward and Clara (Woodhouse) Conrad were born four sons: Harold, the subject of this sketch; Edward Karl, manager of the Wilkes-Barre branch of the Lackawanna Automobile Company, lives at Kingston, Pa.; Joseph, manager of the Used Car Department, lives in Scranton; and Arthur Lucas, manager of the Service Department, lives in Scranton.

Harold Conrad was educated in the public and high schools of Scranton, after which he entered his father's business as a partner. They are local dealers for the Packard cars and have the agency throughout the following counties: Lackawanna, Luzerne, Wyoming, Columbia, Wayne, Pike, and Monroe. In 1916 the company's modern plant was erected on Wyoming Avenue, where approximately 160 people are employed.

In 1917 Mr. Conrad was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Hill, the daughter of William W. and Frances (Wheeler) Hill, of Winchester, Mass. She is a graduate of Wellesley College and is a member of the College Club of Scranton. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad have three children: Frances Lillian, Elenore Clara, and Harold, Jr.

In politics Mr. Conrad is affiliated with the Republican party. He is a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, Irem Temple, Irem Country Club, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, League of Masonic Clubs, Scranton Club, Country Club of Scranton, Kiwanis Club, Scranton Advertising Club, and Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Conrad has various other business interests in the city and is vice president of the Green Hills Inc. Real Estate Company, and a director of the Industrial Thrift & Loan Corporation.

Jonathan Vipond, Jr., vice-president, treasurer and general manager of the Scranton Tobacco Company, is one of the most popular and successful business men of Scranton. He was born in July, 1878, and is the son of Jonathan and Margaret (Branfitt) Vipond.

Jonathan Vipond, Sr., who lives retired in Scranton, is a native of England. He was born in Durham County in April, 1844, and his wife, a native of the same place, was born in 1846. She died in 1919 and is buried at Moscow, Pa. Shortly after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Vipond, Sr., came to the United States and located in Scranton. Beginning work as a miner, he was gradually promoted to mine superintendent. By reason of good business ability and thrift, he soon became financially interested in several mines near Scranton. He was actively engaged in the coal business until the time of his retirement in 1922. Mr. Vipond,

Sr., is a Republican, and belongs to the Masonic Lodge, Sons of St. George, and Knights of Pythias. To Mr. and Mrs. Vipond, Sr., were born three children: Margaret, who married Oscar W. Payne, deceased, now lives in Pittsburgh, Pa., with her two sons, Donald and Robert; Jonathan, Jr., the subject of this sketch; and Ethel, now Mrs. Thomas B. Watkins, resides at Buffalo, N. Y.

Jonathan Vipond, Jr., attended the public schools of Scranton and began his business career as bookkeeper for David Spruks, wholesale grocer. He later became buyer for this concern, and in 1903 organized the Scranton Tobacco Company, at 22 Lackawanna Avenue. The business was incorporated in April, 1903, under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania as The Scranton Tobacco Company, jobbers of cigars, tobacco and confectionery. From a small beginning, with five employes, the company has enjoyed a steady growth and now employs 125 people.

In 1912 the R. T. Black residence, an old landmark in the city, was purchased by the company, and a new warehouse with office building erected, located at Spruce street and Franklin avenue. The officers of the company are: David Spruks, president; Jonathan Vipond, Jr., vice-president, treasurer and general manager; George A. Dickerson, secretary and assistant treasurer; J. A. Hausam and John T. Stansbury, directors. The business is capitalized at \$750,000 and is the largest tobacco jobbing house in Pennsylvania, doing a large volume of business annually. Recently the Scranton Tobacco Company purchased the interests of the Auburn Tobacco Company, of Auburn, N. Y.

In 1907 Mr. Vipond was married to Miss Daisy M. Wardell, the daughter of Byron and Catherine Wardell, both deceased. They have three children: David S., a student at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.; James W., a student at Andover Academy, Andover, Mass.; and Catherine M., a student at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Scranton, Pa.

Mr. Vipond is a member of the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree, and belongs to the Irem Temple, Rotary Club, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, and the Chamber of Commerce. He has extensive business interests in the city, being president of the Bull's Head Coal Company, secretary of the Mid-City Coal Company, president of the Auburn Tobacco Company, president of the Federal Stores Company, and a director of Bayuk Cigars, Inc., Philadelphia.

Besides his business activities, Mr. Vipond has for a number of years been active in civic work, and has done more than his share in helping to make Scranton the hustling metropolis of Northeastern Pennsylvania that it is. Gifted with a pleasing personality, a keen sense of humor, and a knack of making and keeping friends, his success as a business man is readily seen. As president of the Scranton Rotary Club, he placed that organization on a sound financial foundation, and introduced policies which have made Rotary one of the foremost service clubs in the city. Mr. Vipond resides at 1717 North Washington avenue.

R. H. Buchanan, of Scranton, is one of the leading men in the coal industry of northeastern Pennsylvania. He is president of the South Penn Collieries Company, president of the Shamokin Anthracite Coal Company, president of the Northumberland Mining Company, all of Scranton, and is also vice president of the Payne Coal Company, Inc., of Wilkes-Barre.

Mr. Buchanan was born at Lexington, Va., May 24, 1880, the son of William M. and Martha H. Buchanan, both deceased.

R. H. Buchanan obtained his early schooling in the public schools and was graduated from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute as a mining engineer. From 1902 until 1907 he was identified with the Pocahontas Coal field and Thacker district of West Virginia as a mining engineer. He was also mining engineer for the Koontz Bros. United Thacker Coal & Coke Company and superintendent of the Red Jacket Coal & Coke Company. From 1907 until 1915 he was superintendent and mining engineer for the Madina Hill & Company, of Philipsburg, Pa., and Pottsville, Pa.; from 1917 until 1921 was district superintendent of the Hudson Coal Company of Scranton; from 1921 until 1925 was general manager of the Hudson Coal Company; and from 1925 to the present time has been identified with the above mentioned coal companies as president. He has also the distinction of being president of the Engineers Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and is prominent throughout the entire anthracite region of the State.

In June, 1907, Mr. Buchanan was united in marriage with Miss Anna Glenn DeLacy, of Columbus, Ga., the daughter of J. M. and Mary (Stovell) DeLacy, both natives of Alabama. They have a daughter, Mary Glenn Buchanan, born Nov. 6, 1918.

Mr. Buchanan is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and holds membership in the Scranton Club, Westmoreland Club, American Society of Mining Engineers, and Masonic lodge.

The Buchanan residence is at 716 Vine Street, Scranton.

Victor A. Wenzel, who has lived most of his life in Scranton, is well and favorably known in this city, where he is secretary of the Scranton Building Association. He was born in Scranton, Feb. 17, 1877, a son of Conrad and Louisa (Rueppel) Wenzel.

Conrad Wenzel was a native of Grosalmerode, Hessen-Cassel, Germany. He was a tinner by trade and emigrated to the United States shortly after his marriage to Louisa Rueppel, also a native of Germany. They settled in Scranton, where Mr. Wenzel engaged in the tinning business for many years. He retired in 1895 and died in 1905. His wife died in 1908. Both are buried in the Dunmore Cemetery. Mr. Wenzel was a Democrat, a member of Zion Lutheran Church, and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was active in the organization of the Scranton Liederkrantz and served as president of that body.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wenzel the following children were born: Ida, married Herman Schmidt, lives in Scranton; Emma E., deceased; Charles E., of the Charles E. Wenzel & Son Plumbing Company, Scranton; Gustave A., deceased, was proprietor of the Hotel Belmont, Scranton; Victor A., the subject of this sketch; and Siebert E., lives in Scranton.

Victor A. Wenzel acquired his early education in the public schools of Scranton, and attended Woods Business College. As a young man he spent nine months in the employ of Williamson & Wallace, wholesale grocers, Wilkes-Barre. Upon his return to Scranton he was connected with the E. Robinsons Sons Brewing Company, and in 1919 resigned as office manager of that concern. Since Nov. 1st, of that year, he has served as secretary of the Scranton Building Association, having succeeded the late Isadore Goodman.

Mr. Wenzel is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church and is affiliated with Schiller Lodge, F. and A. M. No. 345; Keystone Consistory, 32nd degree; Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Irem Country Club; and Chamber of Commerce. He is identified with the Scranton Liederkrantz, of which he served as financial secretary for 17 years. Mr. Wenzel has always been a Republican.

Alfred H. Pace is a well known business man of Scranton where he is connected with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company as sales agent. He was born at Pittston, Pa., Jan. 29, 1885, the son of Hugh and Mary (Hunt) Pace.

Hugh Pace was born at Carbondale, Pa., and throughout his life was employed in the coal mines of this region. In later life he lived in Jenkins Township, Luzerne County. He died in 1901, and his wife, who was born at Archbald, died in 1922. Both are buried at Pittston. Mr. Pace was a Democrat and for 20 years served as school director of Jenkins Township. He held membership in the Catholic Church. Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Pace, as follows: Elizabeth and Anna, both deceased; Mary, married Thomas F. Madden, lives at Sabastapol, Pa.; William L., attorney, received the Democratic nomination for judge in 1927; Theresa lives at Sabastapol; Thomas J., director of sale, Westinghouse Electric Company, Pittsburgh; Agnes, married Samuel Landdowne, lives at Sharon, Pa.; Alfred H., the subject of this sketch; and Nellie, married John J. Burn, lives at Sabastapol.

After completing his course in the Jenkins Township High School and St. Thomas College, Alfred H. Pace entered Scranton Business College. He began his business career as a stenographer in the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company in 1904, was appointed chief clerk in 1908, and promoted to sales agent in 1924.

In 1925 Mr. Pace was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Leech, the daughter of William Dillon and Helen Leech, both deceased. They have a daughter, Mary Theresa. Mrs. Pace is a sister of Monsignor

George L. Leech, who is private secretary to Fumasoni Bionoi, who is Papal delegate to the United States. At the time of their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Pace received the Papal blessing.

Mr. Pace is a Democrat, a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church and belongs to the Knights of Columbus, Fourth degree, St. Aloysius Society, Pittston, Irish American Society, and Holy Name Society. He is past state secretary of the Pennsylvania Catholic Total Abstinence Union.

Michael J. Costello is editor of the Catholic Light and one of the leading citizens of Scranton, where he was born, March 12, 1880. He is the son of John J. and Mary (Culkin) Costello.

John J. Costello was born in Ireland and came to the United States in 1866 and settled in Scranton. He was a teacher by profession and for a quarter of a century served as principal of the Patrick Henry School in North Scranton. He was beloved and respected by all who knew him. Mr. Costello was also prominent in local politics, having served in the select council for many years as a representative of the Third Ward. Both he and his wife are deceased and are buried in Scranton. They were the parents of the following children: Michael J., Mary, Catherine, Rose, Florence, and Anna.

Michael J. Costello grew up in Scranton, attending the public schools of this city. He is also a graduate of St. Thomas College and in 1900 received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Holy Cross College. In 1911 he was honored by that institution with the degree of Master of Arts. At the completion of his college work Mr. Costello was appointed vice principal of Dunmore High School, but resigned after five years to become professor of English at the Technical High School of Scranton. From 1907 until 1908 he served as principal of Carbondale High School, having filled this office before coming to Technical High School as vice president. Late in 1921 Mr. Costello, acting on his own initiative, organized a public speaking class, and in April, 1922, the enthusiastic appreciation of his students in oratory was shown at a banquet given in his honor when he was the recipient of many handsome gifts. Answering the call of many young men, who were desirous of improving their talent in public speaking, a class was organized at St. Thomas College. This class continued through a highly successful season and later Mr. Costello instructed classes at St. Brendan Council, Young Men's Institute, the Democratic Women's Organization, and numerous other groups.

Mr. Costello has had a long and varied career as an educator and orator at teacher's institutes, as an authority on English literature, as a gifted after dinner speaker, and as a patriotic speaker during the World War. For two years he served as toast master at the Irish American banquets in Scranton. He has published several instructive essays, among them being "Minor Poets of the Nineteenth Century," "Poetry of Ten-

nyson," "Women of Shakespeare," "Pennsylvania in Literature," and "The Irish in Literature." On Sept. 12, 1927, Mr. Costello was appointed managing editor of the Catholic Light, official publication of the Scranton Roman Catholic diocese to succeed the late Patrick A. Barrett.

In 1905 Mr. Costello was united in marriage with Miss Mary Dunleavy, of Scranton, the daughter of Martin and Margaret (Goodman) Dunleavy.

Mrs. Costello is identified with the Teacher's Mutual Benefit Association and is past vice president of the Teachers Retirement Board.

Patrick Emmet Kilcullen.—As a practicing attorney, the career of Patrick Emmet Kilcullen has been identified with the city of Scranton for over a quarter of a century. He is one of the able members of his profession in Lackawanna County, and has proved himself one of the excellent citizens of the community in which he lives. Mr. Kilcullen was born in Scranton, March 16, 1880, and is the son of John and Mary A. (McNamara) Kilcullen.

John Kilcullen, deceased, was a native of Ireland. He was born in County Sligo, and came to the United States when he was 16 years of age, locating at Olyphant, Pa., where he entered the employ of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. He later went to Honesdale and Carbondale and in 1875 removed to Scranton where he was a puddler in the local iron works. After two years he became interested in the general mercantile business at 419 South Washington Avenue, and was thus engaged until the time of his death in 1913. He was known for almost 50 years as a business man of integrity and honesty and was well liked in the community. His wife, a native of Olyphant, Pa., died in 1909. Both are buried in Hyde Park Cemetery, Scranton. Mr. Kilcullen was one of the organizers of the Knights of Labor, the beginning of the Federation of Labor, and was prominent in local politics, being a life long Democrat. He was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Kilcullen were born seven children, as follows: Patrick Emmet, the subject of this sketch; Mary, married L. J. Bour, president of the L. J. Bour Refractories Company, Scranton; John, lives in Scranton; William M., a graduate of St. Thomas College, St. John's College, and Catholic University, Washington, D. C., now engaged in the practice of law in New York City, married Miss Anna Tracy, and they have three sons, William M., Jr., Richard, and Robert; Eugene, associated with Wilson & Company, Scranton; James M., twin brother of Eugene, associated with the London Guaranty & Insurance Company of New York City as an attorney; and Florence M., married William F. Columbus, an attorney, and World War veteran, lives in Pelham Manor, N. Y.

Patrick Emmet Kilcullen spent his boyhood in Scranton and in 1897, after his graduation from Scranton High School, where he was founder and editor of the high school paper, he entered Georgetown University,

from which he received his degree in 1899. He took post graduate work at that university and then went into the government service in Washington, D. C., in the Department of the Interior. After coming to Scranton, Mr. Kilcullen was appointed special investigator for the U. S. government. He was admitted to the bar of Lackawanna County in March, 1900, and later to the State, Superior and Federal Courts. He was identified with the law firm of O'Brien & Kelly in Scranton until the establishment of his private practice. In 1902 Mr. Kilcullen went to Denver, Col., and served as private counsel for James J. Brown, wealthy mine owner of Leadville, Col. He remained there until 1904. During the World War Mr. Kilcullen received a commission but was never called into active service. He maintains offices in the Brooks Building.

Mr. Kilcullen is a Democrat and has served as U. S. commissioner at Scranton. He is identified with the Lackawanna County Bar Association, and belongs to the Elks lodge, Irish-American Society, Georgetown Alumni Association, and Chamber of Commerce.

J. Rossa McCormick, construction, mining and civil engineer, of Scranton, is widely known throughout Lackawanna County. He was born at Olyphant, Pa., Oct. 29, 1877, the son of P. J. and Julia (McNulty) McCormick.

P. J. McCormick, who was born in Dunmore, in 1853, married Julia McNulty in 1876, at Olyphant, where both families had settled in the '50s. The McNulty family had at first taken up residence in Carbondale in the late '40s, and when coming to Olyphant settled near where the division line exists between Olyphant and Throop. The mother of Julia McNulty was Mary Monahan, a cousin of the Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, Del., Bishop Monahan. A brother, A. F. McNulty, was one of the best known men in the Valley. He with the father of the subject of this sketch, framed the Mine Prop Bill, which was one of the famous measures enacted for the betterment of the mine workers. P. J. McCormick was widely known for his work in the Irish, Labor, and Temperance movements. He died in 1915. His widow who survives him and resides at Blakely, was born at Carbondale in 1853. Coming to Olyphant when the entire valley was but a sparse hamlet, she possesses a wonderful fund of recollections concerning the early settlers of Lackawanna County. Of the union of Mr. and Mrs. McCormick there are now living seven children, of whom J. Rossa is the eldest. The others are John D., Florence, Alice, and Mrs. Julia Hannon, who lives at Blakely. One brother, Martin, is engaged in railroad work at Jamestown, N. D. Another brother, Rev. P. H., is pastor of the Catholic Church at Belvidere, S. D. The latter served with the A. E. F., overseas, being a member of the Motor Transport Tank Division.

J. Rossa McCormick, with the aid of the sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, prepared himself at night school for entrance to Mans-

field Normal School and Phillips-Exeter Academy. He began work in the coal breaker at Olyphant in April, 1886, and with the exception of some eleven months spent at the institutions named, with a supplemental five months at Northern Indiana University, he worked around the mines until 1902, when he was given employment on the Pennsylvania Railroad Engineering Department in their construction division. He was engineer in charge of the reconstruction of the Santa Fe Railway between Gage, Okla., and Higgins, Texas, and was transferred to their mine department as acting mining engineer at Frontenac, Kan. He returned to construction work and superintended the construction of the sewerage system of Wichita, Kan. In 1914 he entered the employ of Ballinger and Perrot, architects of Philadelphia, and became their construction engineer. The local work over which he had charge was the construction of the Catholic Church at Dickson City, St. Michael's Industrial School, and the Convent of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, at Avoca.

During the World War Mr. McCormick was resident engineer in charge of the construction of Union Park Gardens, Wilmington, Del., for the U. S. Shipping Board, for whom Ballinger and Perrot were the architects. He also was their representative in Lyons, France. He left their employ to return to Scranton, where for the greater part of the time he served under the administration of Mayor Durkan.

Mr. McCormick was married twice. His former wife, Sarah Mahoney whom he married in 1903 died in 1920. In 1922 he married Margaret McCarthy, of Wilmington, Del. Of the first union there are five children living: Julia, John, Gertrude, Austin and Elizabeth. Of the second union there is one child, Marion.

Mr. McCormick supported Roosevelt and Pinchot, but his family's inclination have been with the Democratic party. He is known throughout this region for his writings in the press. His "The Great American" written on the death of his friend ex-president Roosevelt, received great publicity.

Hon. Alfred Freeman Hobbs.—The many calls, both of borough and State, in business, civic and social matters, that have been made upon Mr. Hobbs, have found him responsive throughout a very active career to every cause that makes for good citizenship in community life and honest government in politics. Possessing diversified gifts as an educator, a newspaperman, and a popular representative of the district in the State Assembly, Mr. Hobbs, through these channels, has presented the unwavering testimony to his established belief in the ultimate triumph of the ideals of persevering industry and of an upright government.

Alfred Freeman Hobbs was born in Benton Township, Lackawanna County, Feb. 14, 1860, the son of Earl and Rozilla (Williams) Hobbs.

Earl Hobbs, a teacher in public and singing schools, and also a farmer, was born in Benton Township. He attended the Harford Acad-

emy in Susquehanna County, and was well versed in music. He was a life long Republican but never sought public office. He was a member of the Universalist Church and prominent in choir work. Mr. Hobbs died in 1905 and his wife, who was born in Lennox Township, Susquehanna County, died in 1918. Both are buried in the Harding Cemetery, near the old homestead in Benton Township. Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs had the following children: Emma, married Eugene Everts, lives at Wallsville, Pa.; Edward, deceased; Alfred F., the subject of this sketch; Olive M., deceased; William E., lives at Wallsville, Pa.; George L., lives at Detroit, Mich.; and Judson D., deceased.

Alfred Freeman Hobbs attended the district schools of the township, and afterwards spent four terms at Keystone Academy. He taught a district school for some time, and was employed for two years as a clerk in a Fleetville store. After engaging in the mercantile business at Fleetville for seven years, he removed to LaPlume, where for about 20 years he was a solicitor, collector, and reporter on the staff of the Scranton "Republican." Later on, for a number of years, he engaged in farming at LaPlume. A Republican in politics, Mr. Hobbs supports the principles of that party by his vote. He served as postmaster at Fleetville during the administration of President William Henry Harrison. He was elected a representative in the General Assembly at Harrisburg from the 6th Legislative District of Lackawanna County, two terms, 1911 and 1913, and he has been justice of the peace for LaPlume borough since 1916, his present term expiring in 1928.

Mr. Hobbs' fraternal affiliations are with the Patriotic Order Sons of America, Clarks Summit; Willow Leaf Lodge, No. 985, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at East Benton; and Dalton Council, No. 942, Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He has been Master and secretary of Fleetville Grange, No. 1199, Patrons of Husbandry; and he has served as Master of Lackawanna Pomona Grange. He helped to organize, and was a charter member of the Lackawanna County Grange Fair Association, which located near Clarks Summit, has developed into one of the leading fairs of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Always active in social welfare work, he has successfully endeavored to create sentiment for better conditions in every community wherein he has resided; and his influence has always been used for temperance causes. He is a member of the Raymond Memorial Universalist Church in Scranton. He is vice-president of the organization known as the Susquehanna Association of Universalists, which covers the parishes of Nicholson, Hopbottom, Brooklyn, Gibson, Fleetville, and Scranton.

On March 30, 1887, Mr. Hobbs married Minnie Elizabeth Sweet, daughter of DeWilton and Diana (Chase) Sweet, both deceased. They are the parents of the following children: 1, Paul Benedict, born March 13, 1888, died in 1920, was a graduate of Mansfield State Normal School and a World War veteran, having served with the U. S. Navy. 2, Florence Esther, born Sept. 17, 1889, was a successful teacher in the pub-

lic schools for several years, married H. C. Feder, lives at Glendale, Calif. 3, Earl DeWilton, born Aug. 25, 1891, lives at Glendale, Calif., is a graduate of Mansfield State Normal School and a veteran of the World War, having served at Camp Meade, Md., with the U. S. Infantry. 4, Stanley Nelson, born Nov. 18, 1895, lives in Greenfield Township, Lackawanna County, married Mary E. Vail, and they have two daughters, Esther and Marjorie. 5, Ervin Alfred, born Oct. 25, 1897, lives at Glendale, Calif., is a graduate of Bloomsburg State Normal School, and was connected with the high schools of Pennsylvania for several years. 6, Helen Agnes, born Feb. 12, 1901, lives at Glendale, Calif., is a graduate of Scranton Business College. 7, Russell E., born April 11, 1903, an attorney, lives at Glendale, Calif., is a graduate of the University of Southern California.

James T. Doherty, of Scranton, is a native Pennsylvanian, and an energetic and enterprising business man, being assistant superintendent of the Scranton district of the Prudential Life Insurance Company. He was born at Dunmore, in Lackawanna County, Jan. 27, 1877, the son of P. J. and Ellen (Scott) Doherty.

Both P. J. Doherty and his wife were natives of Ireland and early settlers of Dunmore, Pa., where Mr. Doherty was employed in the coal mines. He died at the age of 84 years and his wife died at the age of 65 years. They are buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Dunmore. To Mr. and Mrs. Doherty were born nine children, two of whom survive: James T., the subject of this sketch; and Nellie, who is a teacher in School No. 4, Dunmore. She is a graduate of Dunmore High School and Pennsylvania State College.

James T. Doherty began life working in the coal mines of Lackawanna County in the employ of the Pennsylvania Coal Company. He continued in this work for five years, and received his only schooling through attendance at night classes. After leaving the mines he was employed by his brother-in-law, James T. McHale, grocer, of Green Ridge, with whom he was associated for six years. After the death of Mr. McHale the business was taken over by Thomas H. Gordon, and Mr. Doherty continued in his employ for three years. He then became associated with Swift & Company for two years as a traveling representative, and afterwards became interested in the grocery business for himself at Dunmore. He was later connected with the Cash stores of Dunmore. He became interested in the insurance business and entered the employ of the Equitable Life Assurance Company, with whom he was associated for five years. Mr. Doherty has been with the Prudential Life Insurance Company since 1917, having started as an agent in the company's employ. He was promoted to assistant superintendent of the Scranton district in 1924, and has offices in the Lincoln Trust Building.

On May 26, 1901, Mr. Doherty was united in marriage with Miss Mary E. McKenna, of Dunmore, the daughter of John and Mary McKenna, both deceased. They have four children: Leonard, born in 1903; is a graduate of Dunmore High School, Stroudsburg State Normal School and St. Thomas College, now a member of the faculty of Dunmore High School; John, born in 1910; James, born in 1913; and Paul, born in 1916.

Mr. Doherty has always been a Democrat. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Dunmore and belongs to the Equity Club of Scranton.

Umberto A. Molinari, the well known and popular publisher of the Italian newspaper, "Il Minatore," was born in Italy, July 17, 1882. He emigrated to the United States in 1910 and settled in Scranton. He attended the public schools and is a graduate of Technical High School, in Italy. Mr. Molinari spent two years in the Italian Army and served in Africa for more than a year. Upon his return he learned the electrician's trade, which he followed for several years.

Mr. Molinari became identified with "Il Minatore" in 1912, and became owner of the newspaper in 1925. He served as editor until two years ago, when he was succeeded by Lodovico Caminita. This paper has a circulation of 5,000, and is widely read throughout the valley, being distributed to members of more than 25 Italian Societies.

Mr. Molinari is also extensively engaged in the insurance business in Scranton with offices at 112 Franklin Avenue. Among his larger clients may be mentioned the Planters Nut and Chocolate Company, of Suffolk, Va.

Mr. Molinari has twice been married. He married first in 1903 Miss Catherine Fiorentini, a native of Italy, who died in 1911, leaving the following children: Juliet, born in 1906; Romeo, born in 1909; and Clara, born in 1911. In 1914 he married Mary Obici of Scranton, and they have a son, Joseph, born in 1917.

Mr. Molinari is a Republican, and a member of St. Lucy's Catholic Church of Hyde Park.

William L. Monahan is a well known resident of Carbondale, where he is treasurer of Carbondale High School. He was born in this city, June 4, 1901, the son of Patrick and Jane (Walsh) Monahan.

Patrick Monahan, deceased, was a native of England. He was three years of age when his family came to the United States and settled in Carbondale, where he spent many years in the employ of the Hudson Coal Company. He died Aug. 25, 1926. His widow resides in Carbondale. To Mr. and Mrs. Monahan 12 children were born as follows: Mary, deceased, was the wife of William McDonough; Lucy, died at the age of seven years;

Catherine, married L. Tryon, lives at Carbondale; Clara, married John Carroll, lives at Carbondale; Alice, married Thomas Gillan; Jane, married Patrick McFadden, lives at Carbondale; Helen and Francis, live at home; William L., the subject of this sketch; John A., lives at Carbondale; James, deceased; and Anthony, lives at Carbondale.

William L. Monahan has always lived in Carbondale. He entered the coal mines at an early age and is now associated with the Richmondale Coal Company as mine foreman. He has held this position since July, 1926.

Mr. Monahan is a member of St. Rose's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, 3rd degree, and Holy Name Society. He is unmarried.

James T. Flemming is one of the representative and widely known young business men of Scranton, where he is secretary and treasurer of the J. R. Fleming & Son Company and secretary and treasurer of the Flemming Company. He was born in Wayne County, Pa., the son of J. R. and Helen (Clark) Flemming.

J. R. Flemming was born at Aldenville, Pa., August 17, 1857. He has been a resident of Scranton for many years and is well known in the city's business affairs. In 1898 he organized the J. R. Flemming & Son Company, and they are the only manufacturers of mine car equipment in Lackawanna County. Mr. Flemming is president; A. J. Flemming is vice president; and James T. Flemming is secretary and treasurer. The plant is located at 300-312 Greenridge Road. Mr. Flemming is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and Kiwanis Club. He was married on Sept. 25, 1888, to Helen Clark, of Wayne County, Pa., and they have two sons: James T., the subject of this sketch; and Albert J., mention of whom is made below.

Albert J. Flemming was educated in St. Cecelia's Academy and in 1912 was graduated from St. Thomas College. He is also a graduate of the Catholic University at Washington, D. C., and in 1917 received his L. L. B. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He was then associated with the law firm of Simpson Brown & Williams, in Philadelphia, until 1920, at which time he became associated with the J. R. Flemming & Son Company as vice president. In 1924 he organized the Flemming Company, of which his father is president. This company manufactures railroad equipment. Mr. Flemming is a member of the Lackawanna Bar Association and is affiliated with the following organizations: Knights of Columbus, Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, Kennell Club, Canoe Club, Engineers Club, Elks Lodge of Scranton, Metropolitan Club of New York City, and Old Colony Club of New York City. He is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral and lives at home with his parents at 801 Monroe Avenue, Scranton.

The early education of James T. Flemming was obtained in St. Cecelia's Academy and in 1910 he was graduated from St. Thomas College. He then attended Mt. St. Mary's College in Maryland and later was a student

at the University of Pennsylvania. He has always been associated with his father's business interests and takes a prominent part in the city's business life.

On Jan. 15, 1919, Mr. Flemming was united in marriage with Miss Helen Foy, of Pittston, Pa. They have three children: Mary Marjorie, James T., Jr., and Helen Foy.

Mr. Flemming is a member of St. Peter's Cathedral, and belongs to the Scranton Club, Scranton Country Club, and Knights of Columbus.

M. F. Hoban. One of the recognized business men of Olyphant is M. F. Hoban, who is assistant superintendent of the Prudential Insurance Company. He was born in this city, May 23, 1890, and is the son of Patrick and Bridget (Saltry) Hoban.

Patrick Hoban was a prominent pioneer citizen of Carbondale, where he was born. He lived at Olyphant in later life and died in 1926. He is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery. His widow has been a resident of Lackawanna County for more than half a century, having emigrated to this country from Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Hoban were the parents of seven children, all of whom are living.

M. F. Hoban has always lived in Olyphant. He attended the parochial schools here and began his business career in the employ of a wholesale liquor house, with which he was identified for 13 years. Since 1916 Mr. Hoban has been identified with the Prudential Life Insurance Company in this city, and for two years has held his present responsible position.

Mr. Hoban was married Sept. 1, 1915, to Miss Agnes Lane of Archbald, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lane, both deceased. Before her marriage Mrs. Hoban was a teacher in the public schools of Archbald, being a graduate of Archbald High School and the Stroudsburg State Normal School. Mr. and Mrs. Hoban have two daughters, Betty and Jean.

Mr. Hoban and his family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

The local office of the Prudential Life Insurance Company held the sales record in insurance throughout the United States and Canada for insurance written during the year of 1926, its volume of business amounting to one and one-half million dollars.





